



51Talk
无忧英语

Unit 8 Different types of weather
LESSON 6 A horrible thunderstorm

LEARNING OBJECTIVE
In this lesson, you will learn to talk about
horrible weather.

1 Warm-up

What kind of weather do you think is horrible?



Words and phrases you may want to use:

- heavy rain
- big storm
- heavy snow
- strong winds

2 New words and expressions

Matching game

1.



in history

2.



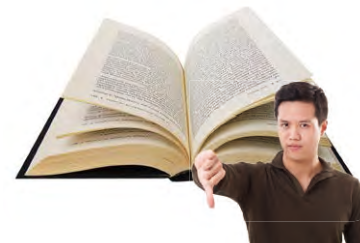
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4.



5.



horrible ['hɒrəb(ə)l]

one of the worst [wɜ:(r)st]

in history ['hɪst(ə)rɪ]

strong winds [strɒŋ windz]

blow [bləʊ]

Let's go through the sentences. Pay attention to the words in red.

a. The weather was really **horrible** the day before yesterday.

b. The book is **one of the worst** books I've ever read.

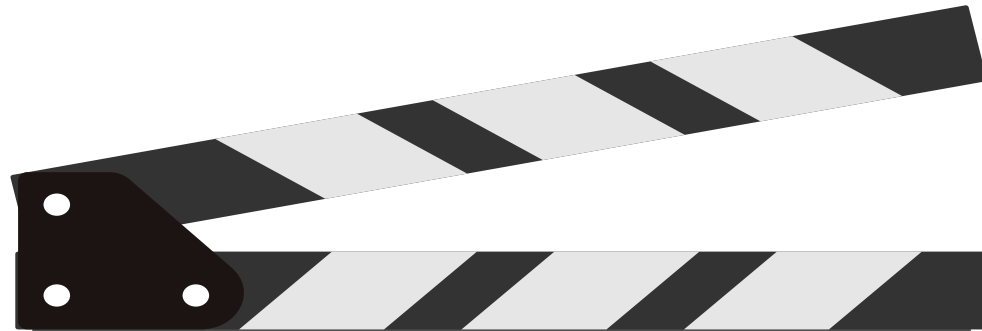
c. Abraham Lincoln is one of the greatest men **in** American **history**.

d. I'm afraid the storm is coming. There will be **strong winds**, heavy rain and dark clouds.

e. The sky got cloudy and a cold wind began to **blow**.

3 Speaking naturally

1. Conversation setting



Who:

Julia (from Texas) and her friend Pam
(from Manila)

Where:

On the phone

Talking about:

A horrible thunderstorm



Let's see what happened in Manila.

3 Speaking naturally

2. Conversation and activity

Julia: Hey, Pam. I just heard on the news that there was a **horrible** thunderstorm in Manila. Are you okay?

Pam: Don't worry. I'm fine.

Julia: Is it still raining?

Pam: There's just a little bit of rain now.
It was not as bad as the thunderstorm last year.

Julia: Yes, that was **one of the worst** thunderstorms **in history**.

Pam: I still remember those **strong winds blowing** through the city.
It didn't stop raining for three days.

Julia: It was really terrible. What will the weather be like tomorrow?

Pam: The news says that it will stop raining.

Julia: That's good. Take care of yourself, Pam.

Pam: I will. Thanks, Julia.

Practice the key sentences:



1. I just heard on the news that there was a horrible thunderstorm in Manila.



2. I just heard on the news that ...



3. I just heard on the news that ...

3 Speaking naturally

3. Conversation and comprehension

Julia: Hey, Pam. I just heard on the news that there was a **horrible** thunderstorm in Manila. Are you okay?

Pam: Don't worry. I'm fine.

Julia: Is it still raining?

Pam: There's just a little bit of rain now.

It was not as bad as the thunderstorm last year.

Julia: Yes, that was **one of the worst** thunderstorms **in history**.

Pam: I still remember those **strong winds blowing** through the city.
It didn't stop raining for three days.

Julia: It was really terrible. What will the weather be like tomorrow?

Pam: The news says that it will stop raining.

Julia: That's good. Take care of yourself, Pam.

Pam: I will. Thanks, Julia.

Answer the questions:

1. What does Julia think of last year's thunderstorm?

She thinks ...

2. What will the weather be like tomorrow?

It will ...

3 Speaking naturally

4. Practice

Julia: Hey, Pam. I just heard on the news that there was a horrible thunderstorm in Manila.

Are you okay?

Pam: Don't worry. I'm fine.

Julia: Is it still raining?

Pam: There's just a little bit of rain now. It was not as bad as the thunderstorm last year.

Julia: Yes, that was _____ thunderstorms _____.

Pam: I still remember those _____ through the city.

It didn't stop raining for three days.

Julia: It was really terrible. What will the weather be like tomorrow?

Pam: The news says that it will stop raining.

Julia: That's good. Take care of yourself, Pam.

Pam: I will. Thanks, Julia.



4 Task

Speak out

Teacher

When was the last time that you experienced horrible weather?

It was ...

You

Teacher

...

...

You

Teacher

...

...

You

Word tips

- a few months ago/
several years ago
- one of the worst
- in history
- strong winds/storm/smog
- a couple of hours/
a whole day

5 Summary

What did you learn in this lesson?

Words and phrases:



Sentences:



Let's check the next page!

5 Summary

You have learned the following vocabulary and sentence patterns to talk about horrible weather.

Words and phrases:



horrible



blow



one of the worst



in history



strong winds

Sentence patterns:

I just heard on the news that ...

(Make a sentence)

That was one of the ... in history.

(Make a sentence)

