



TOPIC: THE WEATHER

ASKING ABOUT THE WEATHER

- How's the weather?
 - *Actually, it's not so bad today, the sun is shining.*
- What's the temperature today?
 - *It's around 40°.*
- What's it like outside?
 - *The wind is blowing. It looks a little bit cold to me.*
- What's the weather like today?
 - *It looks the same as it's been for the last few days.*
- What will the weather be like tomorrow?
 - *It will be below freezing for most of the day.*
- What's the weather forecast?
- What's the weather expected to be tomorrow?
- What's the weather going to be like?
- What did the forecast say this morning?





DESCRIBING THE WEATHER

Hot Weather

- It's boiling hot outside.
- It's a real scorcher.
- The air feels heavy.
- It's getting very humid.
- What a muggy day!
- We couldn't ask for a better day than this.
- I woke up this morning to blue skies, what a perfect day.
- The weather forecast doesn't look promising; it seems like the drought is here to stay for a while.

Cold Weather

- It's a bit chilly.
- It's a bit nippy out here, isn't it?
- It's freezing today.
- You can see your breath.
- It's not snowing. It's just a little bit of sleet.
- There will be a flurry of snow.





Quick Smart English

- It will be below freezing for most of the day.
- This is the worst weather we've had all winter.
- The snow will turn into slush.
- It was another grey, gloomy day.
- It began to sleet before noon and kept on all day.
- You'll definitely need snow tires on your car for the wintry weather around here.
- It's a depressing, overcast winter morning.
- It took several hours for the thick fog to lift.

Rain

- It's just drizzling.
- Don't worry! It's just a little bit of drizzle.
- It's only spitting.
- It's chucking it down. My clothes got soaked.
- It's absolutely tipping it down.
- It's very overcast and dark overhead.
- It's been pouring down all day.





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Wind

- There's a lovely breeze today!
- It's blowing a gale out there. Be careful!
- It's a little bit breezy outside.
- The wind picks up. It's almost a gale.
- Hundreds of old trees were blown down in the gales.
- I regret not wearing a warmer jacket. The wind is absolutely biting.
- I love the autumnal feel, especially with all the colourful leaves.

Extreme Weather

- The blizzard last night covered everything in snow.
- There is a storm brewing.
- Can you see lightning ?
- I woke up to the thunder last night. It was so loud.
- Yesterday, out of the blue, we had a typhoon.
- We once got stuck in a blizzard for six hours.
- Blizzard conditions made the main roads almost impassable.
- The sudden hailstorm caught us off guard.
- That tree was struck by lightning.
- It hailed for a few minutes this morning.





Quick Smart English

VOCABULARY

overcast = cloudy

gloomy = dark in a way that is unpleasant

be tipping (it) down = pour down; bucket down; rain very heavily

a chilly / nice / warm / gentle **breeze** = a light and pleasant wind

a **blustery** day / weather = with strong winds

gale = a very strong wind

humid = hot and damp, makes you sweat a lot

muggy = very warm and a little damp, sticky

damp = slightly wet, especially in a way that is not pleasant

autumnal colours / sunshine / days = typical of autumn

wintry weather / showers = typical of winter

drizzle = rain in very small, light drops

sleet = snow + rain

hail = small, hard balls of ice that fall from the sky like rain

blizzard = a severe snowstorm with strong winds

drought = a long period when there is little or no rain

