

10.1 The weather

Vocabulary the weather

1 Match the weather words in the box to photos a-c.

cloudy dry foggy freezing icy rainy
snowy sunny warm wet windy



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2 Complete the sentences with a verb from the box.

blew froze rained shone snowed

- The ground was wet after it rained during the night.
- The high winds _____ down one of the trees in my garden.
- They went skiing after it _____.
- We had a great day at the beach - the sun _____ all day.
- The rainwater _____ and turned to ice.

3 Look at the UK weather map and circle the best words to complete the weather forecast.

UK weather forecast for today

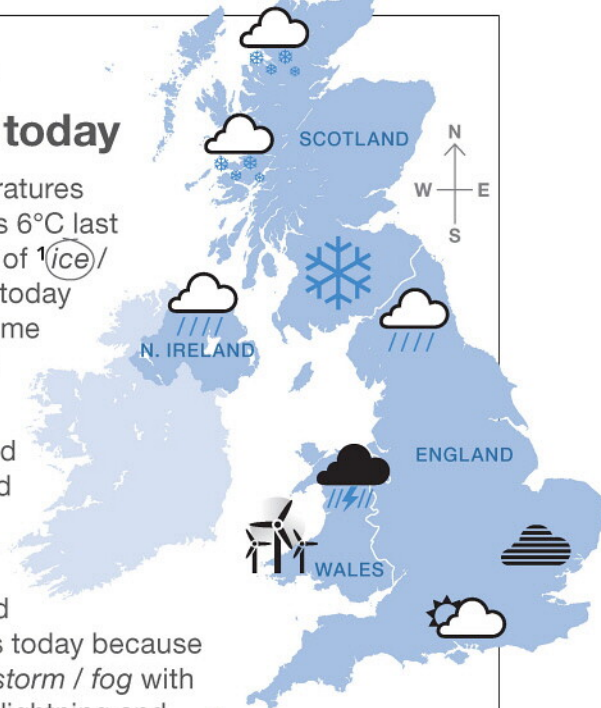
In Scotland, temperatures went down to minus 6°C last night. There is a lot of 1ice / cloud on the roads today and you can see some 2snow / thunder on the mountains.

Northern Ireland and the north of England are going to have more 3ice / rain.

In Wales, it's a good idea to stay indoors today because there's a very big 4storm / fog with lots of thunder and lightning and very high 5winds / rain.

The east of England is dry, but it is difficult to see in some places because there is heavy 6sun / fog.

There are some 7clouds / rain in the south of England, but it is warm and sunny and there is more 8sun / lightning to come later.



Grammar comparative adjectives

4 Write the comparative form of these adjectives.

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|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------|
| 1 low | <u>lower</u> | 6 expensive | _____ |
| 2 big | _____ | 7 tall | _____ |
| 3 early | _____ | 8 late | _____ |
| 4 bad | _____ | 9 dry | _____ |
| 5 interesting | _____ | 10 fat | _____ |

5 Complete the text about the weather in different parts of Pakistan with the comparative form of the verb in (brackets).



Some of the highest mountains in the world are in northern Pakistan. It is much ¹ higher (high) and ² _____ (cold) there than the rest of the country during the winter. The capital city, Islamabad, is in the north-east. Winter and spring in Islamabad are ³ _____ (cool) than summer and autumn. Summer is from May to September. These months are ⁴ _____ (hot) and ⁵ _____ (sunny) than the other months of the year. The second half of summer is the rainy season, so it is ⁶ _____ (wet) than the first half.

Karachi is Pakistan's largest city. It is on the southern coast. Like Islamabad, Karachi is very hot in summer, but it has ⁷ _____ (low) rainfall than Islamabad. It's probably ⁸ _____ (good) to visit Karachi in winter or spring than in summer because the temperatures are ⁹ _____ (comfortable).

6 Tick (✓) or correct the sentences.



- New York is old than Sydney.
New York is older than Sydney.
- Is life in the city more expensive than life in the country?

- The weather is more bad today than it was yesterday.

- My new job is interesting than my old job.

- I think spring and autumn are nicer summer or winter.

- Karachi is more big than Islamabad.

- Is French easier to learn than German?

PRONUNCIATION *than in comparative sentences*

7a **10.1**)) Read and listen to the sentences. Does *than* have a weak sound /ðən/ (W), or a strong sound /ðæn/ (S)?

- This hotel is more expensive than that hotel. W
- China is bigger than Thailand.
- Winter is colder than summer.
- I think surfing is better than skiing.
- Travelling by train is more interesting than flying.
- Some people are friendlier than others.

b **10.1**)) Listen again and repeat. Copy the pronunciation.

I can ...

- describe the weather.
- use comparative adjectives.

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