

It's one of Britain's favourite topics of conversation: the weather. Watch this video and see how a weather forecast is made.

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the video and do the exercises to check your understanding. If you need help, you can read the transcript at any time.

Preparation

Match the vocabulary with the correct definitions and write a–f next to the number 1–6.

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| 1..... graphics | a. an extreme preoccupation or fixation with something |
| 2..... an obsession | b. a prediction about the future |
| 3..... a bulletin | c. the national TV and radio broadcaster in Britain |
| 4..... the BBC | d. images produced by computers |
| 5..... climate | e. a short radio or TV programme that gives information |
| 6..... a forecast | f. the weather patterns in an area over a period of time |

1. Check your understanding: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

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| 1. British people don't talk much about the weather. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 2. Nick, the weather presenter, works for the BBC. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 3. Britain's weather is easy to predict. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. The weather is usually the same in all parts of Britain. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. Modern weather forecasts use a lot of computer graphics. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. Nick says the weather for the rest of the day will be quite good. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 7. A team of people work with the presenter in the studio to produce the weather bulletin. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 8. Amandeep made a good attempt at the weather bulletin. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

2. Check your vocabulary: matching – types of weather

Match the vocabulary with the correct definitions and write a–h next to the number 1–8.

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| 1..... a tornado | a. a storm with strong winds and heavy snow |
| 2..... lightning | b. a large amount of water that covers a place |
| 3..... a flood | c. a very strong circular wind |
| 4..... thunder | d. electrical energy that flashes in the sky during a storm |
| 5..... a gale | e. loud bangs and crashes that you hear in the sky during a storm |
| 6..... hail | f. a strong wind |
| 7..... a snow storm | g. a period of extremely hot weather |
| 8..... a heat wave | h. small balls of frozen rain |

What's the weather like where you live?

What's your favourite kind of weather?

How often do you watch the weather forecast?

Vocabulary Box

Write any new words you have learnt in this lesson.