Listen to the weather forecast and do the exercises to practise and improve your listening skills.

Preparation
Do this exercise before you listen. Draw a line to match the pictures with the words below.

<table>
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<th>Picture of rain</th>
<th>Picture of clouds</th>
<th>Picture of lightning</th>
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<td>rainy</td>
<td>sunny</td>
<td>cloudy</td>
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<td>windy</td>
<td>dry</td>
<td>thunderstorm</td>
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1. Check your understanding: matching
Do this exercise while you listen. Match the two halves of the sentence and write a – d next to the number 1 – 4.

1. The weather in the north is mostly a. rainy.
2. The weather in the east is mostly b. cloudy and sunny.
3. The weather in the west is mostly c. dry and cloudy.
4. The weather in the south is mostly d. windy.

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2. Check your understanding: gap fill
Do this exercise while you listen. Write the word to fill the gap.

1. Welcome to the weather forecast. Now, let’s see what the weather is ______________ today.

2. In the north of the country it’s very windy and cold. There is a ______________ of some rain, too.

3. The temperature is around 10 ______________ centigrade.

4. In the east it’s rainy all day today, I’m afraid. There may be a thunderstorm in the afternoon. The ______________ is a bit higher, at around 13 degrees.

5. In the west and middle of the country the weather is dry ______________ cloudy.

6. The south of the country has the ______________ weather today. It’s cloudy most of the time but sunny this afternoon.

What is the weather usually like in your city or town?

It’s usually … (hot/ cold/ windy etc.)
It usually … (rains/ snows etc.)

Vocabulary Box Write any new words you have learnt in this lesson.