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Weather

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One minute a day is all you need to improve your listening skills.
Focus on new words, grammar and pronunciation in this short text.
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 **THE LISTENING TAPESCRIPT**

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The weather means different things to different people. I come from England, so the weather is always a big topic there. People in England can't deal with the weather. A tiny bit of snow, and no one goes to work. Two days of thirty-degree temperatures and it's a heatwave. Three days and it's an emergency. I once lived in Dubai. No one really talked about the weather there. It was the same almost every day of the year. Hot, sunny, blue skies, no rain. I never looked at the weather forecast. I always knew what the weather would be like. Not like in England where people pray for the weather to be OK. But the weather is changing. Global warming is making it rain in the desert and dry in the rainforests.



LISTENING GAP FILL

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CORRECT THE SPELLING

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UNJUMBLE THE WORDS

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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 **DISCUSSION** (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
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STUDENT WEATHER SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about weather in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

HOMEWORK

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET INFO: Search the Internet and find more information about weather. Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE: Write a magazine article about weather. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

4. WEATHER POSTER Make a poster about weather. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.

5. MY WEATHER LESSON: Make your own English lesson on weather. Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Teach the class / another group when you have finished.

6. ONLINE SHARING: Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, MySpace page, Twitter stream, StumbleUpon account, or any other social media tool to get opinions on weather. Share your findings with the class.

