The weather

VOCABULARY PRACTICE

PRE-INTERMEDIATE | A2-B1

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

1 Match each weather word with its meaning.

1 sunny	____	a with a lot of rain
2 cloudy	____	b with a lot of moving air
3 windy	____	c covered with frozen water
4 foggy	____	d with a lot of sunshine
5 rainy	____	e with many clouds
6 snowy	____	f with strong wind and often rain
7 stormy	____	g with a low temperature
8 icy	____	h with snow
9 hot	____	i difficult to see because of water in the air
10 cold	____	j with a high temperature

2 Choose the correct word.

1 There is a lot of *sun* / *sunny* today.

2 It is very *wind* / *windy* by the sea.

3 We had heavy *rain* / *rainy* last night.

4 The roads are *ice* / *icy*, so drive carefully.

5 The mountains are covered in *snow* / *snowy*.

6 It was a *fog* / *foggy* morning.

7 The sky is *cloud* / *cloudy* but it is dry.

8 A short period of rain is a *shower* / *drought*.

3 Complete the forecast with words from the box.

cloudy | **degrees** | **dry** | **fog** | **rain** | **sunny** | **temperature** | **wind**

Morning forecast

The **1** _____ will be eight **2** _____ at 7 a.m. There will be thick **3** _____ near the river and some light **4** _____ in the north. It will be **5** _____ in central areas. In the afternoon, the weather will become **6** _____ and **7** _____. There will be a strong **8** _____ on the coast.

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4 Match the weather with the best response.

1 It is freezing.	____	a Take an umbrella.
2 It is boiling hot.	____	b Stay indoors and follow warnings.
3 It is pouring down.	____	c Wear a warm coat and gloves.
4 There is thick fog.	____	d Drive slowly and keep your distance.
5 The road is icy.	____	e Drink water and stay in the shade.
6 A storm is coming.	____	f Use your lights and reduce your speed.

5 Read the weekend forecast. Write T (true) or F (false).

A changeable weekend
Saturday morning will be cool and misty, with temperatures around 9°C. The mist will clear before midday, and the afternoon will be mild and sunny. A gentle breeze will come from the west. On Sunday, cloud will increase and heavy rain will arrive after lunch. Temperatures will fall to 6°C by evening. Strong winds are expected overnight, but there is no risk of snow.

1 Saturday morning will be misty. T / F

2 The mist will stay all day. T / F

3 Saturday afternoon will be sunny. T / F

4 Sunday morning will begin with heavy rain. T / F

5 Sunday evening will be colder than Saturday afternoon. T / F

6 Snow is expected on Sunday night. T / F

6 Put the wet-weather words in order from weakest to strongest.

flood | heavy rain | shower | torrential rain

Weakest 1 _____ → 2 _____ → 3 _____ → 4 _____ Strongest

OVER TO YOU

Write a **70-90 word** forecast for your town or an imaginary place. Describe the morning, afternoon and evening, and give one piece of advice.

[ ] Use at least eight weather words. [ ] Include temperatures. [ ] Use *will* correctly.

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ANSWER KEY

1 Weather words

1 **d** 2 **e** 3 **b** 4 **i** 5 **a** 6 **h** 7 **f** 8 **c** 9 **j** 10 **g**

2 Choose the correct word

1 **sun** 2 **windy** 3 **rain** 4 **icy** 5 **snow** 6 **foggy** 7 **cloudy** 8 **shower**

3 Forecast

1 **temperature** 2 **degrees** 3 **fog** 4 **rain** 5 **cloudy** 6 **dry** 7 **sunny** 8 **wind**

4 Weather responses

1 **c** 2 **e** 3 **a** 4 **f** 5 **d** 6 **b**

5 Weekend forecast

1 **T**
2 **F** - It will clear before midday.
3 **T**
4 **F** - Heavy rain will arrive after lunch.
5 **T**
6 **F** - There is no risk of snow.

6 Wet-weather scale

1 **shower** 2 **heavy rain** 3 **torrential rain** 4 **flood**

Over to you: Answers will vary. Check clear sequencing, suitable vocabulary and accurate future forms.