

## THE WEATHER

These notes accompany the handouts on that can be found in the PowerPoint file "Weather".

Curriculum references: this assignment can be used with mixed ability classes using differentiation exercises according to level.

### Entry level 2

Sd/E2 1C - expressing likes and dislikes

Lr/E2-3a - Extract main points when listening

Rw/E2.3a - use context and a range of phonic and graphic knowledge to decode words.

Wt/E2.1a - compose simple text, selecting appropriate format for the purpose.

Ws/E2.1a - construct simple and compound sentences using common conjunctions

Ww/E2.1b - use knowledge of phonological patterns to work out correct spelling.

### Entry Level 3

Sc/E3 4c - narrate events in the past

Sc/E3 4f - give a short description and make comparisons

Sd/e3 1c - expressing likes and dislikes -ing form as object of the verb. Use of intensifiers.

Lr/E3 3a - listen for relevant information

Rw/E3 3a - use dictionary to find meaning of unfamiliar words

Wt/E3 2a - structure main points of writing in short paragraphs.

Ww/E3 1a - apply knowledge of spelling to a wide range of words.



Level 1

Sd/L1 1c - express likes and dislikes, feelings, hopes etc.

Rw/L1 3a - recognise and understand an increasing range of vocabulary, roots and derivations.

WS/L1/3a - use punctuation to aid clarity and meaning

Rw/L1 1a - apply knowledge about words to aid spelling



## The Seasons

### Handout 1

Ask students to identify which season each picture represents.

### Handout 2

This sheet asks students to describe weather conditions and to construct sentences using a given form.

## Weather conditions

### Handout 3

Continues work on adjectives using picture/word matching

## Weather Words

### Handout 4

Asks students to find the noun belonging to each of a list of adjectives.

Students to try to identify patterns and rules for this.

### Handout 5

Compound nouns and dictionary work

## Weather Forecasting

### Handout 6/7

Teach the students the relevant vocab. Matching weather symbols to written descriptions.

### Handout 8/9

Listening, you will need a national or local radio weather forecast and a relevant map. Students can cut symbols from h/o 9 and place on map according to the forecast.

Making a prediction. Grammar using will for prediction. Teach grammar. Students predict what the weather will be tomorrow.



## Memories

### Handout 10

Listening - Three Hundred Days Rain (audio clip), a poem read by George Bruce dealing with early childhood memories of a rainy day.

Students answer questions on poem.

Written work.

Students write an account of a memorable day they have experienced connected to the weather.

Idioms and sayings to do with weather.

### Handout 11

Discussion on familiar idioms, what do they mean? Can the group suggest any more?

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### **Weather**

#### **Seasons**

**Kelvingrove Park /Daffodils & cherry blossom in the Kelvingrove Park 1991**

SCRAN Scottish Media Group

**Newbattle Abbey (College) grounds with sundial, autumn, Midlothian**

SCRAN James Gardiner

**East Bay, North Berwick/Summer holidaymakers**

SCRAN East Lothian Museum Service

**Learner Skiers, Cairngorms, Banffshire or Inverness-shire 1988-6**

SCRAN By courtesy of the Trustees of the National Museum of Scotland

### **Weather Conditions**

1. **East Bay, North Berwick/Summer holidaymakers**  
SCRAN East Lothian Museum Service
2. **Pedestrians struggle at Britain's windiest spot -  
Edinburgh's Princes Street, opposite the Waverley  
Steps**  
SCRAN Hulton Getty
3. **Glasgow -Fog at lunchtime in Paisley Road West**  
SCRAN The Scotsman Publications Ltd
4. **Heavy Snow falling in Glasgow's city centre**  
SCRAN Scottish Media Group
5. **View from Binn looking over to the Tay Valley,  
Perthshire, November 1983**  
SCRAN By courtesy of the Trustees of the National  
Museums of Scotland
6. **Icicles hanging from rocks on the Croy Cutting - South  
West of Castle Canyon Edinburgh-Glasgow railway line-  
A Beaton and F Fuller walk along the track**  
SCRAN The Scotsman Publications Ltd
7. **Pitenweem Harbour during a storm**  
SCRAN The Scotsman Publications Ltd
8. **Frost in a field**  
SCRAN Scottish Media Group
9. **Wind and Rain 1994 (Private Collection)**  
SCRAN Bridgeman Art Library

Weather symbols

BBC Weather online

Three Hundred Days Rain read by George Bruce(video clip)  
Scottish Media Group  
**Isle of Lewis: waves breaking and high seas (video clip)**  
Edinburgh Film workshop Trust