It's Raining Cats & Dogs

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- 11.1 be raining cats and dogs (phr) /bi 'reɪnɪŋ kæts ənd dɒgs/
 be raining heavily We ran home quickly because it was raining cats and dogs.
- 11.2 stranded (adj) /'strændəd/
 stuck in a place because you have no way to
 get away from there After the plane crash,
 the passengers were stranded on an island for
 days before help came. ➤ strand (v)
- 11.3 tractor (n) /'træktə(r)/
 a heavy vehicle used for pulling equipment or
 moving sth, often used on a farm The farmer
 was digging his field with his tractor.
- 11.4 flooding (n) /'fl∧dɪŋ/
 when a lot of water comes onto a dry area and suddenly covers it The heavy rain caused flooding in some fields near the river. ➤ flood (v, n), flooded (adj)

Reading

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- the light and warmth from the sun Let's go out for a walk and enjoy the sunshine.

 > sunny (adj)
- 11.6 bury (v) /'beri/ put sth in the ground and cover it ● The whole town was buried by rocks and ash when the volcano erupted. ➤ burial (n), buried (adj)
- 11.7 collapse (v) /kə'læps/
 fall down suddenly The old wall collapsed
 when the car crashed into it. ➤ collapse (n),
 collapsed (adj)
- 11.8 injure (v) /¹Indʒə(r)/ hurt a part of the body ● Luckily, nobody was injured in the accident. ➤ injury (n), injured (adj)
- 11.9 trap (v) /træp/
 put sth in a place where it's impossible to
 leave The cars were trapped in the snow
 and couldn't move. ➤ trap (n)

Word Focus

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11.10 sting (v) /stɪŋ/
touch the skin in a way that hurts and you feel
a sudden pain • Have you ever been stung by
a bee? ➤ sting (n), stinging (adj)

- sharp (adj) /ʃaːp/
 sudden and painful, like being cut Helen felt
 a sharp pain on her arm when the insect stung
 her. ➤ sharpen (v), sharply (adv)
- 11.12 somehow (adv) /'sʌmhaʊ/
 in a way that's not known We had to find a
 way to get home somehow.
- 11.13 heater (n) /'hiːtə(r)/
 a machine that gives heat I have a small
 electric heater in my bedroom to keep warm
 when I'm studying. ➤ heat (v), hot (adj)

Reading

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- 11.14 day out (n) /der aut/
 a day trip or visit somewhere They had an enjoyable day out at the park.
- 11.15 such (det) /sʌtʃ/
 used before a noun for emphasis There was such a lot of snow last weekend.
- 11.16 impossible (adj) /ɪm'pɒsəbl/ not possible; that can't happen ● It was almost impossible to find a hotel room in Rome in August, but we finally found a small bed and breakfast. ➤ impossibility (n), impossibly (adv) ⑤ Opp: possible
- 11.17 go-karting (n) /ˈgəʊ kaːtɪŋ/
 racing around a track in a small open car

 There's a go-karting track near the beach
 and it's fun to drive around it.
- escape (v) /r'skeɪp/
 get away from an unpleasant place or situation
 The thieves were caught while they were
 trying to escape in a stolen car. ➤ escape (n)
- 11.19 shoulder (n) /ˈʃəʊldə(r)/
 where your arm is connected to the part of
 your body You have to hold the violin on
 your shoulder and under your chin to play it.
 ➤ shoulder (v)
- 11.20 expect (v) /ɪk'spekt/
 wait for sth that you think will happen / didn't
 expect to see you at the library. I thought you
 didn't like reading books. ➤ expectation (n)
- **11.21** weather forecast (n) /'weðə fɔːkɑːst/ a description of how sb says the weather will be the next few days ● We should check the weather forecast before we go hiking.

11.22 thunderstorm (n) /'θ∧ndəstɔːm/
a storm with thunder and lightning • It was
scary travelling by plane to Crete during the
thunderstorm.

Vocabulary

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11.23 fog (n) /fpg/

thick clouds that are low down and close to the land • The drivers went slowly through the fog because they couldn't see the road very well.

➤ fog (v), foggy (adj)

11.24 storm (n) /stɔxm/

very bad weather with strong wind and usually rain or snow • The storm only lasted for an hour, but a lot of trees were damaged by the wind. ➤ storm (v), stormy (adj)

- 11.25 icy (adj) /'aɪsi/
 very cold; covered with ice *It's dangerous to drive on icy roads.* > ice (v, n), icily (adv)
- 11.26 snowy (adj) /'snəʊi/ with a lot of snow ● The snowy hills looked beautiful from the distance. ➤ snow (v, n)
- 11.27 windy (adj) /'wɪndi/ with a strong wind ● It was so windy at the seaside that the beach umbrellas blew away. > wind (n)
- 11.28 away (adv) /ə'weɪ/
 to another place My hat blew away off the
 boat and into the sea.
- 11.29 sink (v) /sɪŋk/
 drop down to the bottom of the sea, lake, river,
 etc. When the boat hit the rock, it began to
 sink into the river. ➤ sunken (adj)
- 11.30 dull (adj) /d∧l/
 not bright; cloudy This dull weather is
 making everybody feel sad; we need some
 sunshine soon. > dullness (n)
- 11.31 temperature (n) /'temprət∫ə(r)/
 how hot or cold sth/sb is The temperature in
 Moscow is very low in winter.
- 11.32 cool (adj) /kuːl/ quite cold ● It was very hot at the beach, so we swam in the cool water. ➤ cool (v), coolly (adv)
- degrees Celsius (phr) /dɪˈgriɪs ˈselsiəs/
 the measure of temperatures in centigrade
 Water freezes at zero degrees Celsius.

- 11.34 What's sb/sth like? (phr) /wvts 'sʌmbədi/ 'sʌmθɪŋ 'laɪk/ used to ask about sb's character, or how sth is What's your tennis coach like? Do you recommend her?
- diary (n) /'daɪəri/
 a book with spaces for each day of the year
 where you can keep note of things to do or
 write about what you do or think each day It
 was fascinating to read Grandma's old diary
 that she wrote as a teenager.
- 11.36 bush fire (n) /bʊʃ 'faɪə(r)/
 a fire that spreads quickly across open
 countryside Some of the farm buildings were
 burnt in the bush fire that spread all over the
 area this summer.
- 11.37 **lightning** (n) /'laɪtnɪŋ/
 a bright flash of light in the sky caused by electricity The castle tower fell down when it was struck by lightning.
- 11.38 thunder (n) /'θ∧ndə(r)/
 a loud noise from the sky after lightning
 appears There was a flash of lightning and
 then we heard the sound of thunder.

 > thunder (v), thunderous (adj)
- 11.39 drought (n) /draʊt/
 a long time without rain so the land is very dry

 Farmers in many countries in Africa have problems because of long droughts.
- 11.40 destroy (v) /dɪ'strɔɪ/ damage sth so badly that you can't use it any more ● The farm was destroyed by fire, so the family had to find a new home. ➤ destruction (n), destructive (adj)
- 11.41 brick (n) /brɪk/
 sth like a stone which is man-made for building
 walls Most modern homes in the UK are
 made from bricks.

Weather Adjectives

clear icy
cool snowy
extreme southerly
foggy stormy
freezing windy

Grammar

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- the patterns of weather in an area

 Mediterranean countries have a warm climate.
- 11.43 southern (adj) /'s∧ðən/
 in the south part of a country, continent, etc.
 The weather in southern Australia is a bit cooler than in the northern part.
- 11.44 clear (adj) /kliə(r)/
 sunny; without clouds It was a clear day, but
 the temperature wasn't very high. ➤ clear (v),
 clearer (adv)
- 11.45 jeep (n) /dʒiːp/ a vehicle that you can drive off-road across rocky ground ● *l'd rather cross the desert in a* jeep than by camel.
- 11.46 frightening (adj) /ˈfraɪtnɪŋ/
 that makes you afraid It was a frightening
 experience when our ship nearly sank.
 > frighten (v), fright (n), frightened (adj),
 frighteningly (adv)
- 11.47 hurricane (n) /'h∧rɪkən/
 a very bad storm with extremely strong winds
 The hurricane moved across the Atlantic and destroyed many homes in the West Indies.
- 11.48 monsoon (n) /,mpn'suːn/ heavy seasonal rains in South Asia ● There was flooding on the railway tracks across Pakistan during the monsoon.
- 11.49 heavily (adv) /'hevɪli/
 in a large amount The snow was falling so
 heavily that the road was covered in a few
 minutes. ➤ heavy (n), heavy (adj)
- 11.50 serious (adj) /'sɪəriəs/
 with a bad effect; causing problems or danger
 There was a serious accident on the street
 and a famous singer was killed. ➤ seriousness
 (n), seriously (adv)
- 11.51 damage (n) /'dæmɪdʒ/
 physical harm to an object or building, etc.
 The damage to his car was terrible and he couldn't drive it again. ➤ damage (v), damaged (adj)
- ocean (n) /'əʊʃn/
 one of the large areas of water that covers a large amount of the earth The Titanic sank when it was on its first voyage across the ocean. ➤ oceanic (adj)
- 11.53 conditions (n pl) /kən'dɪ∫ns/
 the situation around that has an effect on sth
 The weather conditions were too bad for us to go sailing. ➤ condition (v), conditional (adj), conditionally (adv)

- 11.54 extreme (adj) /ɪk'striːm/
 much more than normal Temperatures in
 the desert can go from extreme heat in the
 daytime to extreme cold at night. ➤ extreme
 (n), extremely (adv)
- 11.55 rainstorm (n) /'reɪnstɔːm/
 a storm with heavy rain The streets were
 covered in water after the rainstorm.
- 11.56 heatwave (n) /'hi:tweɪv/
 a period of very hot weather It was too hot
 to go outside at midday during the summer
 heatwave.

Weather Nouns

climate monsoon conditions rainstorm flood snowstorm flooding storm fog sunshine heatwave thunder hurricane thunderstorm lightning weather forecast

Geography

Nouns Adjectives atmosphere coastal bush fire southern ocean deep dust

- atmosphere (n) /ˈætməsfɪə(r)/
 all the gases in the air around the earth
 The atmosphere was filled with dust from the desert storm. ➤ atmospheric (adj), atmospherically (adv)
- 11.58 evaporate (v) /ɪ'væpəreɪt/
 liquid evaporates when it gets hot and turns into steam He forgot to switch off the cooker and the water in the spaghetti evaporated.

 ➤ evaporation (n), evaporated (adj)
- 11.59 record (n) /'rekɔːd/
 information that is written down to remember
 it It was the coldest winter on record in
 Scotland. ➤ record (v, adj), recording (n)
- 11.60 occur (v) /ə'kɜː(r)/
 happen When the storm occurred, we were sailing in the Caribbean. ➤ occurrence (n)
- 11.61 the Pacific Ocean (n) /ðə pəˌsɪfɪk ˈəʊʃn/

11.62 face (v) /feis/

meet a situation that could be a problem

• Simon faced a lot of dangers on his journey through the jungle. ➤ face (n)

Listening

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- 11.63 cm (abbr) /'six em/ centimetre(s) ● There are 100 cm in a metre.
- 11.64 km/h (abbr) /ˌkeɪ em piː 'eɪtʃ/
 kilometres per hour The car was travelling at
 200 km/h when it crashed.

 Syn: kph
- 11.65 southerly (adj) /'s∧ðəli/
 (of wind) moving from the south A southerly wind brings warm air from Africa across the Mediterranean. ➤ south (n, adj)
- 11.66 m (abbr) /em/ metre(s) ● A block of ice fell from a roof just a metre in front of Eric.
- minus (adv) /'maɪnəs/
 used to talk about temperature below zero
 The temperature was minus two, but it felt like minus ten because of the north wind.
- distance (n) /'dɪstəns/
 how far it is between two places or things
 They travelled a long distance by coach from England to Spain. ➤ distance (v), distant (adj)
- 11.69 compass (n) /'kʌmpəs/
 a device with an arrow that points to north to show direction Before people used GPS, they found their direction using a map and a compass.

Measurements

compass record degrees Celsius temperature distance cm

distance cm gallon m minus km/h pound

Speaking

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11.70 slightly (adv) /'slaɪtli/
a little bit ● Today the temperature is slightly colder than yesterday. ➤ slight (adj)

Writing

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- 11.71 Hyde Park (n) /haɪd pærk/ a famous large park in London ● Let's relax and take a walk around the lake in Hyde Park.
- 11.72 Empire State Building (n) /'empaiə(r) steit 'bildin/
- 11.73 exhausted (adj) /ɪgˈzɔːstɪd/
 very tired The exhausted tourists had to stop
 for a break at a local restaurant. ➤ exhaust
 (v), exhaustion (n)
- 11.74 double-decker (bus) (n) /'d∧bl 'dekə(r) (b∧s)/
 a bus that has two floors From the top of the
 double-decker bus, we had a great view of
 the famous buildings in London.
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- **11.75 Big Ben** (n) /'bɪg ˌben/
- **11.76** Eiffel Tower (n) /ˈaɪfl ˈtaʊə(r)/

Vehicles

double-decker bus jeep go-karting tractor

Famous Places & Buildings

Big Ben Eiffel Tower Empire State Building

Hyde Park the Pacific Ocean

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- 11.77 have a baby (phr) /həv ə 'beɪbi/
 give birth to a child My aunt had a baby last
 month, so he's my new cousin.
- snowstorm (n) /'snəʊstɔːm/
 sudden heavy snow with a strong wind
 We watched the snowstorm outside from the safety of our home.
- 11.79 extra (adj) /'ekstrə/
 more than usual Take an extra pen and
 pencil when you go for the exam. > extra (n)

11.80 earn (v) /3ːn/ get sth (usually money) for sth that you have done or made ● Photography is fun, but it's a hard way to earn a living. ➤ earnings (n)

- 11.81 cub (n) /k∧b/ a baby tiger (also: baby lion, wolf, fox, bear, etc.) • A female tiger feeds her cubs and protects them from danger.
- 11.82 chore (n) /t∫ɔː(r)/
 a small job that you have to do often I like
 listening to music while I'm doing all the boring
 chores like dusting.
- 11.83 deliver (v) /dɪˈlɪvə(r)/
 bring sth to sb Brian delivers takeaway food
 with his small van. ➤ delivery (n)
- 11.84 pound (n) /pa∪nd/ a unit of weight (about 0.454 kilo) • Theo bought a pound of cheese and some eggs.
- 11.85 gallon (n) /'gælən/
 a unit used to measure liquid (about 4.5 litres in the UK, Canada, Australia, etc., about 3.8 litres in the USA) Megan stopped at the service station to put a few gallons of petrol in her car.
- 11.86 simply (adv) /'simpli/
 basically The heavy rain simply means that
 drivers have to be extra careful on the road.
 > simplify (v), simple (adj), simplicity (n)

Verbs

bury escape
cancel evaporate
cause expect
collapse face
damage injure
deliver sting
destroy trap
earn

Other Adjectives

exhausted serious extra sharp frightening stranded impossible

Adverbs

heavily simply seriously slightly somehow