

**BREAKING  
NEWS**



**World  
events**



**Disasters**

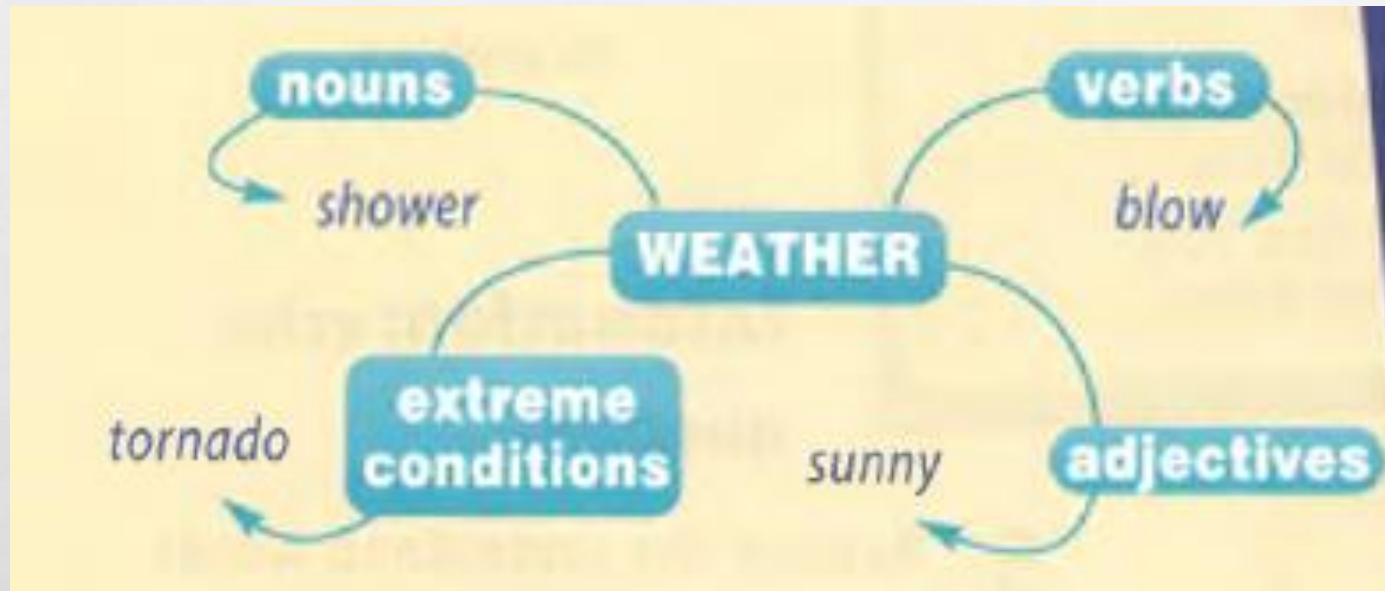
**Accidents  
and injuries**



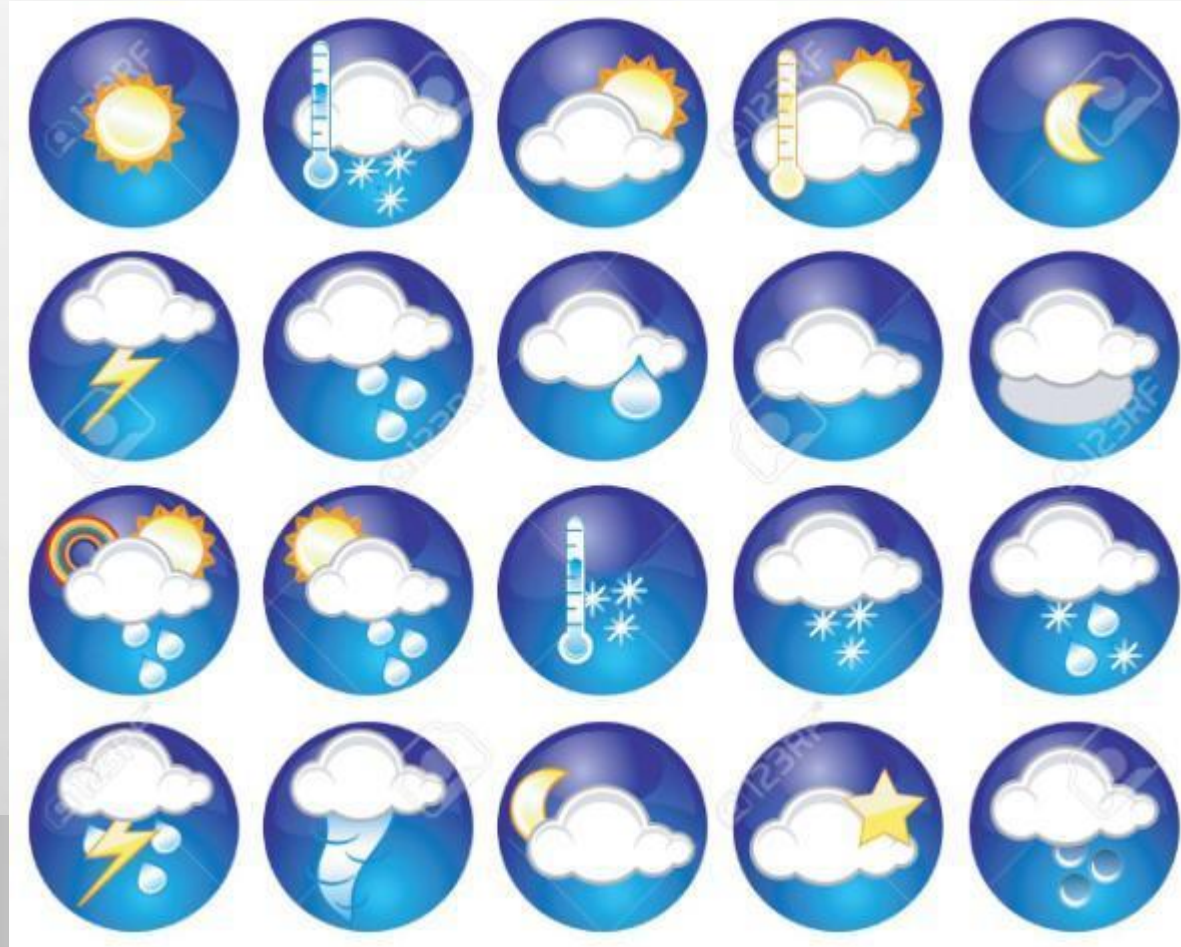
**Weather  
phenomena**



# WEATHER CONDITIONS



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# WEIRD WEATHER

- Interested in
- Weather forecast
- To wrap up worm
- To go out
- Never-ending lightning storm
- To sound crazy
- Weird weather phenomena
- To happen
- To be used to
- To cover-covering
- To crash into
- To cause storms
- To last
- To occur
- A silver lining
- To produce –producer-production
- To restore the ozone layer
- To explode- explosion
- To hit the news
- To enter-entrance
- Silently-silent
- To imagine-imagination-imaginative
- To mix with
- To astonish- astonishment
- A spin
- To ignite
- To explain-explanation
- To witness
- To agree-to disagree



## Vocabulary

1 ★ Fill in: *restore, whirling, phenomena, wildfire, astonished, ignited, miracle.*

- 1 It was a(n) ..... that she survived lost at sea for so many days.
- 2 Investigators have concluded that lightning ..... the forest fire.
- 3 Meteorologists also study many strange weather .....
- 4 They were ..... when they saw the explosion in the sky.
- 5 The wind grew stronger and created a ..... snowstorm that blew snow everywhere.
- 6 After the hurricane, it took years to ..... the town back to its original condition.
- 7 The ..... has burned many acres of land.

2 ★★ For questions 1-12, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap.

Ordinary volcanoes are formed by a column of very hot molten rock, known (0) as magma, rising to the Earth's surface from deep within the Earth's core. This type (1) ..... volcano usually erupts from the top of a cone shaped mountain, such as the famous volcano, Vesuvius, near Naples in Italy. However, there is (2) ..... kind of volcano, called a supervolcano. It is one of the (3) ..... destructive forces in nature but also one of the least understood. One thing that is known, though, is that if a supervolcano occurs, it (4) ..... lead to mass extinction of species, and one species in particular (5) ..... will be under threat is the human race.

So what is a supervolcano exactly and (6) ..... often do they occur? A supervolcano is basically a huge reservoir, or lake, of boiling magma that lies close to the Earth's surface. They (7) ..... found in six different regions of the planet. One of the most famous supervolcano regions is in Yellowstone Park in Wyoming, USA. This park is (8) ..... area of outstanding natural beauty but it is also a sleeping giant that could wake (9) ..... at any time. The last time the area erupted was (10) ..... than 600,000 years ago and a new eruption is now overdue. When it does erupt, because (11) ..... day it will, it will virtually destroy the USA. And the dust cloud it creates will block (12) ..... the sun causing the Earth's temperature to plummet threatening the whole planet with mass extinction.

# STORMY WEATHER

Listen to this summary of a world weather forecast and decide whether the statements are true or false.

- 1 Tropical storm Hector is turning into a hurricane.   T
- 2 Hector is moving slowly towards Mexico.
- 3 Hurricane Alberto is calming down.
- 4 Alberto is approaching land at ninety miles per hour.
- 5 Tropical storm Ewiniar is heading out to sea.
- 6 Ewiniar is gaining in strength.
- 7 Rain in Australia is expected to last all week.
- 8 It will be mainly hot and dry in the Northern Alps.
- 9 Scattered showers are expected in Great Britain.
- 10 Florence is Europe's hottest spot.

Scattered - far apart  
Gusts  
Front  
Clear up  
To approach  
To gain strength  
To expect

