

Weather Watchers with Rosa the Parrot

Learning objective: To identify and use Spanish vocabulary for weather conditions and describe the climate in different regions.

Rosa the parrot has flown all over Spain and South America! Use your knowledge of Spanish weather vocabulary to complete the tasks below. Remember to use correct spelling and pay attention to gender where necessary.

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Word bank: Hace sol (It is sunny) · Hace calor (It is hot) · Hace frío (It is cold) · Llueve (It is raining) · Nieva (It is snowing) · Hace viento (It is windy) · Está nublado (It is cloudy)

1. Rosa is visiting a snowy mountain peak. Write the correct Spanish phrase for this weather and explain why you think the temperature might be so low at such a high altitude. (4 marks)

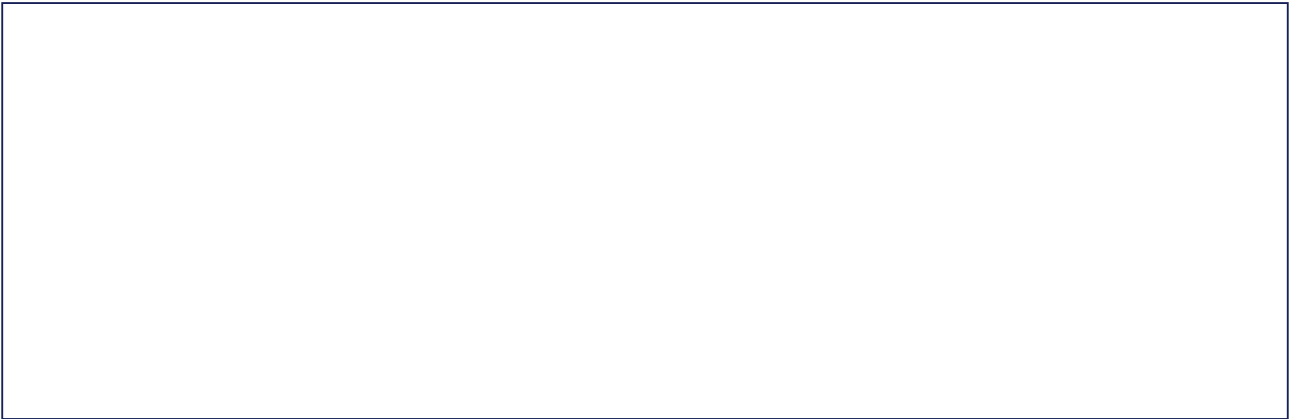
2. Look at the following scenario: 'The sky is grey and water is falling from the clouds.' Translate this into Spanish. If this weather lasted for an entire month, justify how it might change the local environment. (4 marks)

3. Compare and contrast the weather in a desert (often 'hace sol') with the weather in a rainforest. Use at least two Spanish weather phrases in your comparison. (4 marks)

4. If you were planning a holiday, would you rather travel somewhere where 'hace frío' or 'hace calor'? Justify your choice using descriptive vocabulary. (3 marks)

5. What might happen if the weather stayed as 'hace viento' for a week without stopping? Describe the impact on the plants and trees in a local park. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a four-panel comic strip showing Rosa the parrot experiencing four different types of weather. Label each panel with the correct Spanish weather phrase.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are a weather reporter in a Spanish-speaking city. Write a short script (5-6 sentences) for a television broadcast. Include a greeting, the weather forecast for the day, and a piece of advice for the viewers (e.g., 'Take an umbrella' or 'Wear a coat'). Use the phrase 'Hoy el tiempo es...' (Today the weather is...) to start your report.