

Rosa's Weather Report: El Tiempo

Learning objective: To identify and use Spanish vocabulary to describe weather conditions and practice asking questions about the weather.

Read the weather report from our friend Rosa the parrot. Use the word bank to help you understand the Spanish terms, then answer the questions below to test your knowledge.

¡Hola! My name is Rosa, and I love flying across different countries to report on the weather. Today, I am in a lovely town in Spain. The sky is bright blue and there is not a cloud in sight. '¡Hace sol!' I squawk happily. Tomorrow, I am traveling to the mountains where it is quite chilly. I will need to pack my scarf because 'Hace frío'. When I visit the coast later this week, I must be careful because 'Hace viento' and my feathers get all ruffled! Learning about the weather in Spanish is a wonderful way to understand how our world changes from day to day.

Word bank: Hace sol - It is sunny · Hace frío - It is cold · Hace calor - It is hot · Llueve - It is raining · Hace viento - It is windy · ¿Qué tiempo hace? - What is the weather like? · Hoy - Today

1. Using the passage, explain why Rosa needs to pack a scarf for her trip to the mountains. (2 marks)

2. If you look out of your window and see the rain falling, which Spanish phrase from the word bank would you use to describe the weather? (1 mark)

3. Compare and contrast the phrases 'Hace sol' and 'Hace calor'. How might these two weather conditions feel different to someone walking outside? (3 marks)

4. Justify why it is important for a traveller like Rosa to know the weather forecast in a different language before visiting a new place. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a four-panel weather comic. In each panel, draw Rosa the parrot experiencing a different type of weather (sunny, windy, raining, and cold) and write the correct Spanish phrase underneath each scene.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are a weather presenter on television. Write a short script in English and Spanish for a 3-day weather forecast. What might happen if the weather forecast was completely wrong? Write a paragraph explaining the impact this would have on people's plans for the weekend.