

Rosa's Weather Forecast Diary

Learning objective: To describe the weather in French using appropriate adjectives and present tense verbs, and to justify seasonal variations.

Use this diary template to record the weather for your chosen region. Look at the word bank to help you construct your sentences in French. Remember to use 'Il fait...' for general weather and 'Il y a...' for specific conditions. For the Greater Depth section, explain how the weather affects your daily activities.

Word bank: Il fait beau (It is nice) · Il fait mauvais (It is bad) · Il fait chaud (It is hot) · Il fait froid (It is cold) · Il pleut (It is raining) · Il y a du soleil (It is sunny) · Il y a du vent (It is windy) · Le printemps (Spring) · L'été (Summer) · L'automne (Autumn) · L'hiver (Winter)

1. Identify the current weather and season: Write two sentences in French describing today's weather and the current season. (2 marks)

2. Compare and contrast: Compare the weather you described above with the weather typically found in a different season. Use the phrase 'Par contre' (However) to link your ideas. (3 marks)

3. Explain why: Explain why the weather changes throughout the year in France or the UK. Refer to the Earth's orbit if you can. (4 marks)

4. Justify your answer: If you were planning an outdoor event, which season would you choose and why? Justify your choice using French vocabulary. (4 marks)

5. What might happen if: What might happen to the local wildlife if the winter was unusually warm? Write your prediction in English. (3 marks)

6. Creative Extension: Imagine Rosa the parrot is flying to a new country. Write a short weather report for her arrival in French, including one activity she can do there. (4 marks)

Extension challenge: Design a 'Weather Map' for a French region of your choice. Label at least four different weather symbols in French and provide a 50-word forecast summary explaining how the weather will influence the clothing people choose to wear.