

LESSON 32

Talking about the weather

(i) Winter



On the telephone

- Mother : Hello Rina. How are you?
Rina : I'm fine Ma. How are things at home?
Mother : All's well. The weather's a bit nippy now. What about the weather in Srinagar?
Rina : Oh, it's already freezing here, about 6 °C with icy winds blowing.
Mother : Wear enough woollens when you step out and don't forget your cap, muffler and gloves.
Rina : Don't worry, we are always well clad.
Mother : Take care, I'll call again. Bye!

Word	Meaning
1. nippy	cold, chilly
2. clad	clothed, dressed

(ii) Summer



- Rina : Hi, Ragini. Good to see you. When did you return from Nainital?
Ragini: Last night.
Rina : The weather must have been good.

Ragini: It was simply fabulous. The afternoons were a little warm but the mornings and evenings were extremely pleasant.

Rina : It has been extremely hot here. We had a light shower the other day. Since then it has become very humid.

Ragini: Maybe the monsoon is setting in.

Rina : I hope so. There'll be some respite from this oppressive heat.

Word

1. fabulous
2. shower
3. humid
4. respite
5. oppressive

Meaning

- wonderful, great
- light rainfall
- sticky, damp
- relief, break
- hard to bear

(iii) Monsoon



Rina : Ravi, take a look at the sky. It's overcast.

Ravi : I'm sure there's going to be a heavy downpour.

Rina : The monsoon seems to have set in.

Ravi : I'm dreading it, specially the slush on the roads, the humidity, the sweating and the mosquitoes Oh my God!

Rina : But somehow, I love the rains after the dry heat and the hot winds. Only the power cuts bother me.

Ravi : Who wants to carry an umbrella or a raincoat all the time?

Rina : Yes and I recall, you lost two umbrellas last monsoon.

Ravi : Trust you to remember that!

Word

1. overcast
2. downpour
3. dreading
4. humidity
5. recall

Meaning

- covered with clouds
- heavy shower
- fearing, afraid
- dampness, moisture
- remember