

WET WEATHER

SHOWER (noun): A short period of rain This rain won't last long; it's only a shower.

HEAVY RAIN There was quite heavy rain during the night.

DOWNPOUR (noun): A heavy fall of rain There was a real downpour.

TORRENTIAL RAIN Falling in a large amount

In Malaysia there is usually torrential rain most days, and the roads sometimes get flooded /flʌd/.

OVERCAST (adj.): covered with clouds.

The sky's a bit overcast; I think it's going to rain.

DROUGHT /draʊt/ (noun): a long period of time when there is little or no rain.

We had a drought last summer. It didn't rain for six weeks.

WINDY WEATHER

BREEZE (NOUN): A LIGHT WIND.

There was a gentle breeze on the beach, just enough to cool us.

STRONG/HIGH WIND

There was a very strong/high wind and my umbrella blew away.

GALE (noun): An extremely strong wind.

There was a gale that day, so we didn't go sailing.

HURRICANE/'hʌrɪk(ə)n/ (NOUN): a violent storm with very strong winds.

People stayed indoors because there was a hurricane on the way.