

# 7 Watching the weather

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## OBJECTIVES

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1. Understanding a weather forecast.
2. Getting acquainted with the kinds of comments typically made about the weather in English.

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## TAPE

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### Tapescript

*Narrator:* "Unit 7 – Watching the weather."

A weatherman gives the forecast on the TV evening news. Write the predicted weather conditions for the weekend on the map next to the name of the city.

*Anchorwoman:* . . . and that's the Friday night news. Now over to Dave Spellman for the weekend weather forecast. Dave, what do you have in store for us this weekend?

*Weatherman:* Well, Linda, it's still raining here in Chicago, and it looks like that rain is going to continue through the weekend. It'll be cloudy tomorrow with scattered showers, and the outlook for Sunday – more rain and colder. The predicted high for tomorrow is forty-five degrees Fahrenheit, but the thermometer is expected to dip to the freezing point tomorrow night, with a temperature of thirty-two degrees. I'm afraid colder weather is on its way!

Let's take a look now at the weather across the country. Showers expected tomorrow down the West Coast as far south as San Francisco. Fair weather in the low seventies predicted for the Los Angeles area; fair in San Diego.

There's a cold front from Canada moving down through the western states. Thirty-eight degrees in Denver, Colorado, with

thirty-mile-an-hour winds, and it's expected to be cold and windy right through the weekend. Dallas is experiencing unseasonably cold weather – forty-eight degrees.

It's raining as far east as Detroit and Toronto, and that rain is going to continue through tomorrow, when it may turn to snow. Currently forty-three degrees in Detroit, forty-one degrees in Toronto. And temperatures dropping.

It's snowing heavily in Montreal, ladies and gentlemen, its first storm of the season, and we expect that snow activity to move down from Canada into the eastern states sometime tomorrow, probably reaching the New York area sometime tomorrow night.

Good weather across the south. Clear skies in Miami, and they're going to enjoy a sunny seventy-eight degrees in that town this weekend, so if you're thinking about a vacation, now's the time to do it. Back to Chicago. Once again, continuing rain tonight through Sunday. Current temperature, thirty-eight degrees. And that winds up our weather report for this evening. This is Dave Spellman. Have a good night, and if you're going out, don't forget your umbrella.

RECORDING TIME: 2 min., 21 sec.

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