

Sara's Weather Compilation

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The Weather –

Describing the weather with nouns and adjectives

A

arid – trocken, dürr

B

balmy – sanft, lind, mild
blizzard – r Blizzard,
r heftiger Schneesturm
breeze – e Brise
breezy – windig, luftig
bright – heiter, hell, klar

C

calm – ruhig, e Windstille, windstill, still adj
clear – heiter, klar, wolkenlos
clear to cloudy – heiter bis bewölkt,
heiter bis wolkig
cloud – e Wolke
cloud cover – e Bedeckung,
e Wolkendecke
cloudy – bewölkt, wolkig
cold – kalt, e Kälte
cold and damp feuchtkalt, nasskalt
cold snap – r Kälteeinbruch,
e Kälteperiode, e Kältewelle,
e plötzlicher Kälteeinbruch
cold spell – r Kälteeinbruch,
e Kälteperiode, e Kältewelle

D

damp – nasskalt
dark – dunkel
dark and gloomy –
dunkel und bewölkt/düster
dew – r Tau
drizzle – r Nieselregen [leichter],
r Sprühregen [stärker]
drizzly – nieselig, nieselnd
dry – trocken
dull – düster, trüb, trübe

F

fair – heiter, schön
flood – e Flut, s Hochwasser,
e Überschwemmung
flurry – s Gestöber

flurry of snow – s Schneegestöber
[leicht]

fog – r Nebel
foggy – neblig, nebelig
frost – r Frost
frosty – frostig

G

gale – r Sturm, r Starkwind, r starker Wind,
[8 Bft] r stürmischer Wind [8Bft]
grey / gray – grau
gust – e (Wind)Böe, e Windstoß, r Schwall
gusty – böig, stürmisch, windig

H

hail – r Hagel, r Graupel (soft hail)
hailstone – r Hagelkorn
haze – r Dunst
hazy – dunstig
heat – e Wärme, e Hitze
heatwave – e Hitzewelle
high – s Hoch, e Höchsttemperatur
high pressure – r Hochdruck
hot – heiß
hot and humid – schwül, feuchtheiß
hot spell – e Hitzeperiode
humid – feucht, schwül (muggy)
humidity – e Luftfeuchtigkeit
hurricane – r Hurrikan, r Orkan,
r Wirbelsturm

I

ice – s Eis
icy – eisig

L

lightning – r Blitz
a bolt of lightning – r Blitzschlag
a flash of lightning – r Blitz, Blitzstrahl
low – s Tief
low pressure – r Tiefdruck

M

mild – mild, leicht, sanft
mist – r leichter/feiner Neber,
r Scheier(nebel)
misty – diesig, dunstig, trübselig

O

overcast – bedeckt, überzogen [Himmel]

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P

partly cloudy – teilweise bewölkt
precipitation – r Niederschlag
puddle – e Pfütze

R

rain – r Regen, regnen
rainbow – r Regenbogen
raindrop – r Regentropfen
rainfall – r Niederschlag
rainy – regnerisch
raw – rau
ray of sunshine – r Sonnenstrahl

S

scorcher (a scorcher) – r extrem heißer
Tag, e Affenhitze
shower – r Schauer
showery – regnerisch
sleet – r Schneeregen
slush – r Schneematsch
slushy – matschig (r matschiger Schnee)
smog – r Smog, (Rauch und Nebel-
Mischung, e Luftverschmutzung)
smoggy – versmogt
snow – r Schnee
snowfall – r Schneefall
snowflake – e Schneeflocke
snowstorm – r Schneesturm
snowy – verschneit
soft hail / snow pellets – r Graupel
sprinkle – nieseln,
vereinzelte Regentropfen
sprinkling – r Sprühregen [etwas stärkere]
storm – r Sturm, s Unwetter
stormy – stürmisch
sultry – schwül
sun – e Sonne
sunny – sonnig
sunshine – r Sonnenschein

T

thunder – r Donner
thunderstorm – s Gewitter, s Unwetter
tornado – r Tornado, r Wirbelsturm

U

UV (ultra violet) rays – e UV Strahlungen

W

wet – nass, e Nässe
wind – r Wind
wind chill / wind chill factor –
r Wind-kälte-Faktor
[windchill temperature –
e Windchill-Temperatur,
e gefühlte Temperatur = durch den
Wind beeinflusstes Kältegefühl]
windstorm – r Sturm, r Windsturm
windy – windig

Showing opinion - adjectives

beautiful – schön
crappy (weather) – s Mistwetter
crummy (weather, esp. AE) –
s Mistwetter
dreary – trist, düster
fabulous – großartig, traumhaft
(schön)
gloomy – duster, trüb, bewölkt
great – großartig, fein
lovely – herrlich
miserable – regnerisches, trübes Wetter
nice – schön, heiter
revolting (BE) – widerliches Wetter
wonderful – wunderfolles/wonderbares/
tolles Wetter

The Weather – Describing temperature

Celsius / Centigrade – Celsius
Fahrenheit – Fahrenheit
Degrees – Grad
0° = zero degrees, at zero, freezing
Null Grad, bei Null Grad, Gefrierpunkt
above zero / above freezing
über Null / über dem Gefrierpunkt
below zero / below freezing
unter Null / unter dem Gefrierpunkt
minus
-10° = minus ten degrees /
10 below (zero)
minus zehn Grad / 10 Grad Kälte

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bitter / bitter cold – bitter / bittere Kälte,
bitterkalt
boiling hot – kochend heiß
brisk – frisch
chilly – kühl, frostig
cold – kalt
cool – frisch, kühl
freezing cold – eisig kalt, eiskalt
hot – heiß
mild – mild
muggy – schwül, gewittrig, feuchtheiß,
drückend (Hitze)
nippy – (Temperatur) frisch, kühl
(Wind) beißend
refreshing – erfrischend (frische Brise)
scorching – stechend,
brütend/glühend heiß
sticky (humid) – stickig, schwül
sweltering – drückend / glühend heiß
warm – warm

The Weather – Using verbs

beat down (sun) – (herunter)knallen
blow – wehen
brighten up – aufklaren, aufheitern
clear up – aufklaren
cloud over – mit Wolken überziehen,
sich bewölken,
sich überziehen (Himmel),
sich zuziehen (Himmel)
cool down – abkühlen
drizzle – nieseln
freeze – frieren
hail – hageln, graupeln
pound (rain) – heftiger, trommelnde Regen
pour (rain) – r strömender Regen
rain – regnen
shine – scheinen
sleet – Es gibt Schneeregen.
(if more like pellets) Es graupelt.
snow – schneien
storm – stürmen
thunder – donnern, gewittern
warm up – erwärmen

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Useful Words and Terms for Describing Hot Weather Conditions

airless (adj)

stickig

BE: a place where it is difficult to breathe or the air is not fresh

AE: having little or no air from outside, and having no movement of air

Note: Used to describe an inside space.

beat down (phrasal verb)

niederbrennen

BE: If the sun beats down, it shines very strongly and makes the air very hot

AE: (of sun) to shine very brightly or (of rain) to come down strongly

*The sun was really **beating down**.*

(The rain was beating down on the fields. Es goss wie aus Kübeln auf den Feldern.)

blistering (adj) (also **blistering hot**)

glühend

blistering heat

glühende Hitze

extremely hot

*We went out in the **blistering** heat./It's **blistering hot** outside.*

boiling (hot) (adj) [informal]

kochend heiß

very hot

*I wish I'd worn something cooler - I'm **boiling**.*

*We don't usually have such **boiling hot** weather.*

broiling (adj) [informal]

glühend, heiß, glühend heiß

very hot: *It was already broiling (= very hot weather) by breakfast time.*

burn/burning up (v) (feel hot)

sehr warm, heiß

1 to feel really hot (from temperature or fever): *I'm burning up. **Mir ist SO heiß!***

2 very hot: *burning sand* Suddenly she felt a *burning* (sensation) (= feeling of heat) in her throat.

close (adj) (lacking air)

stickig, schwül

describes weather or air conditions in which it is difficult to breathe and it is uncomfortably warm

*Can I open the window? It's very **close** in here.*

dog days (of summer) (n) [plural, can be singular: dog day afternoon]

Hundstage {pl}

the hottest days of the summer

drenched in / with sweat (adj)

schweißgebadet

when you are sweating/perspiring profusely, when your clothes are wet from sweat/perspiration

I'm just drenched with sweat.

heat (n) (temperature)

Hitze

the quality of being hot or warm, or the temperature of something

the heat of the sun

*How do you manage to work in this **heat** without air conditioning?*

*She always wore a coat, even in the **heat** of summer.*

heatwave (n) [usually singular, exception example: *We've had a number of **heatwaves** throughout the year.*]

Hitzewelle

a period of time such as a few weeks when the weather is much hotter than usual

hot (adj) (very warm)

heiß

having a high temperature

melting (adj) (very warm)

vor Hitze zerfließen

very hot

I'm melting from this heat.

muggy (adj)

drückend, schwül

hot and humid

Oh, it's so hot and muggy!

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oppressive (heat) (adj)	brütende Hitze, drückende Hitze
If the weather or heat is oppressive, it is too hot and there is no wind <i>We were unable to sleep because of the oppressive heat.</i>	
roasting (adj) (<i>also roasting hot</i>)	glühend, heiß , glühend heiß
very hot <i>to roast in the sun</i> <i>It was a roasting summer day.</i> <i>I'm roasting!</i>	<i>in der Sonne schmoren</i>
scorching (n) [informal]	sehr heißer Tag
an extremely hot and sunny day <i>Yesterday was a real scorching.</i>	
scorching (adj/adv) (<i>also scorching hot</i>)	glühend heiß, stechend [Sonne]
very hot: <i>a scorching summer day</i> <i>It was scorching hot inside the greenhouse.</i>	
sizzler (n) [informal]	sehr heißer Tag (megaheiß)
a very hot day <i>(a TV weather report) It's going to be a sizzler today!</i>	
sizzling (adv) (<i>also sizzling hot</i>)	sehr heiß
very hot sizzling hot hot, sizzling day <i>It's a sizzling hot day today!</i>	sehr heiß sehr heißer Tag
stifling (adj, also in BE adv) (no air)	stickig
stifling heat BE extremely hot and unpleasant: <i>I can't bear this stifling humidity.</i> <i>Several hundred people were crammed into the stifling room.</i> stiflingly (adv) It's stiflingly hot in here. AE (adj) extremely hot, with a lack of fresh air <i>Summers in Virginia have always had stifling humidity.</i>	erdrückende Hitze
stuffy (adj) (without air)	stickig
A stuffy room or building is unpleasant because it has no fresh air: <i>a stuffy office</i> <i>It's really hot and stuffy in here - let's open the window.</i> <i>The bedroom gets a bit stuffy in the summer.</i>	
sultry (adj)	drückend, schwül
hot and humid <i>We're having sultry weather today.</i>	
swelter (v)	(vor Hitze) vergehen, vor Hitze umkommen
(of a person) to feel very hot <i>The soldiers were sweltering in their uniforms.</i>	
sweltering (adj)	drückend heiß
extremely and uncomfortably hot <i>In the summer, it's sweltering in the smaller classrooms.</i>	
torrid (adj) (weather) [formal]	brennend heiß
extremely hot <i>the torrid heat of August</i>	

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Temperatur - Tabelle

Umrechnung Fahrenheit in Celsius:	$F - 32 * 5/9 = C$
Umrechnung Celsius in Fahrenheit:	$(C * 9/5) + 32 = F$

C	F	C	F	C	F	C	F
-18	0	1	34	20	68	39	102
-17	1	2	36	21	70	40	104
-16	3	3	37	22	72	41	106
-15	5	4	39	23	73	42	108
-14	7	5	41	24	75	43	109
-13	9	6	43	25	77	44	111
-12	10	7	45	26	79	45	113
-11	12	8	46	27	81	46	115
-10	14	9	48	28	82	47	117
-9	16	10	50	29	84	48	118
-8	18	11	52	30	86	49	120
-7	19	12	54	31	88	50	122
-6	21	13	55	32	90	51	124
-5	23	14	57	33	91	52	126
-4	25	15	59	34	93	53	127
-3	27	16	61	35	95	54	129
-2	28	17	63	36	97	55	131
-1	30	18	64	37	99	56	133
0	32	19	66	38	100	57	135

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Beaufort Wind Scale					
Beaufort Number or Force	Wind Speed			Description	Effects Land / Sea
	mph	km/hr	knots		
0	<1	<1	<1	Calm	Still, calm air, smoke will rise vertically. Water is mirror-like.
1	1-3 mph	1-5 kph	1-3 knots	Light Air	Rising smoke drifts, wind vane is inactive. Small ripples appear on water surface.
2	4-7 mph	6-11 kph	4-6 knots	Light Breeze	Leaves rustle, can feel wind on your face, wind vanes begin to move. Small wavelets develop, crests are glassy.
3	8-12 mph	12-19 kph	7-10 knots	Gentle Breeze	Leaves and small twigs move, light weight flags extend. Large wavelets, crests start to break, some whitecaps.
4	13-18 mph	20-28 kph	11-16 knots	Moderate Breeze	Small branches move, raises dust, leaves and paper. Small waves develop, becoming longer, whitecaps.
5	19-24 mph	29-38 kph	17-21 knots	Fresh Breeze	Small trees sway. White crested wavelets (whitecaps) form, some spray.
6	25-31 mph	39-49 kph	22-27 knots	Strong Breeze	Large tree branches move, telephone wires begin to "whistle", umbrellas are difficult to keep under control. Larger waves form, whitecaps prevalent, spray.
7	32-38 mph	50-61 kph	28-33 knots	Moderate or Near Gale	Large trees sway, becoming difficult to walk. Larger waves develop; white foam from breaking waves begins to be blown.
8	39-46 mph	62-74 kph	34-40 knots	Gale or Fresh Gale	Twigs and small branches are broken from trees, walking is difficult. Moderately large waves with blown foam.
9	47-54 mph	75-88 kph	41-47 knots	Strong Gale	Slight damage occurs to buildings, shingles are blown off of roofs. High waves (6 meters), rolling seas, dense foam, Blowing spray reduces visibility.
10	55-63 mph	89-102 kph	48-55 knots	Whole Gale or Storm	Trees are broken or uprooted, building damage is considerable. Large waves (6-9 meters), overhanging crests, sea becomes white with foam, heavy rolling, reduced visibility.
11	64-72 mph	103-117 kph	56-63 knots	Violent Storm	Extensive widespread damage. Large waves (9-14 meters), white foam, visibility further reduced.
12	73+ mph	118+ kph	64+ knots	Hurricane	Extreme destruction, devastation. Large waves over 14 meters, air filled with foam, sea white with foam and driving spray, little visibility.

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Windstärken Tabelle zum Umrechnen von Knoten, Beaufort, m/s und km/h.

Knoten	Beaufort	m/s	km/h	Bezeichnung	Auswirkung auf die See	Wirkung an Land
1	0	0 - 0.2	1	Windstille	Spiegelglatte See	keine Luftbewegung, Rauch steigt senkrecht empor.
1-3	1	0.3- 1.5	1-5	Leiser Zug	Kleine Kräuselwellen ohne Schaumkämme	Kaum merklich, Rauch treibt leicht ab, Windflügel und Windfahnen unbewegt.
4-6	2	1.6- 3.3	6-11	Leichte Brise	Kleine, kurze Wellen, glasige, nicht brechende Kämme.	Blätter rascheln, Wind im Gesicht spürbar.
7-10	3	3.4- 5.4	12-19	Schwache Brise	Kämme beginnen sich zu brechen. Schaum glasig, vereinzelt Schaumköpfe.	Blätter und dünne Zweige bewegen sich, Wimpel werden gestreckt.
11-15	4	5.5- 7.9	20-28	Mäßige Brise	Kleine, längere Wellen. Verbreitet Schaumköpfe.	Zweige bewegen sich, loses Papier wird vom Boden gehoben.
16-21	5	8.0- 10.7	29-38	Frische Brise	Lange,mäßige Wellen. überall Schaumkämme.	Größere Zweige und Bäume bewegen sich, Wind deutlich hörbar.
22-27	6	10.8- 13.8	39-49	Starker Wind	Größere Wellen und Schaumflächen, Kämme brechen, etwas Gischt	Dicke Äste bewegen sich, hörbares Pfeifen an Drahtseilen, in Telefonleitungen.
28-33	7	13.9- 17.1	50-61	Steifer Wind	See türmt sich, Schaum legt sich in Windrichtung.	Bäume schwanken, Widerstand beim Gehen gegen den Wind.
34-40	8	17.2- 20.7	62-74	Stürmischer Wind	Mäßig hohe Wellenberge mit langen Kämmen, Gischt weht ab, Schaumstreifen.	Große Bäume werden bewegt, Fensterläden werden geöffnet, Zweige brechen von Bäumen, beim Gehen erhebliche Behinderung.
41-47	9	20.8- 24.4	75-88	Sturm	Hohe Wellenberge, dichte Schaumstreifen, See "rollt". Gischt beeinträchtigt Sicht.	Äste brechen, kleinere Schäden an Häusern, Ziegel und Rauchhauben werden von Dächern gehoben, Gartenmöbel werden umgeworfen und verweht, beim Gehen erhebliche Behinderung.
48-55	10	24.5- 28.4	89- 102	Schwerer Sturm	Sehr hohe Wellenberge, lange überbrechende Kämme. See, weiß durch Schaum, rollt schwer und stoßartig, Gischt beeinträchtigt Sicht	Bäume werden entwurzelt, Baumstämme brechen, Gartenmöbel werden weggeweht, größere Schäden an Häusern; selten im Landesinneren.
56-63	11	28.5- 32.6	103- 117	Orkanartiger Sturm	Extrem hohe Wellenberge. Wellenkämme werden überall zu Gischt zerblasen, Sicht herabgesetzt.	heftige Böen, schwere Sturmschäden, schwere Schäden an Wäldern (Windbruch), Dächer werden abgedeckt, Autos werden aus der Spur geworfen, dicke Mauern werden beschädigt, Gehen ist unmöglich; sehr selten im Landesinneren
64-71	12	32.7- 36.9	118- 133	Orkan	Luft mit Schaum und Gischt angefüllt, See vollständig weiß, Sicht stark herabgesetzt.	Schwerste Sturmschäden und Verwüstungen; sehr selten im Landesinneren.

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Scrambled	English	German Translation
1. cnihaurer		
2. bzeeer		
3. sludco		
4. neoccly		
5. abrowni		
6. rtofs		
7. nsow		
8. yoptnoh		
9. peknlirs		
10. pwooundr		
11. snnmooo		
12. eagl		
13. ntuhdre		
14. zrilbzad		
15. alih		
16. hlssu		
17. hiunness		
18. dwni		
19. athe		
20. rezildz		
21. heorws		
22. dlco		
23. tesle		
24. aroodnt		
25. nria		
26. zeah		
27. msotr		
28. eci		
29. ggnniihtl		
30. simt		
31. ogf		
32. gsmo		
33. ydiiumth		
34. acrttiippneo		
35. ofscera		
36. geeerd		
37. marreeetpu		
38. rthdugo		
39. doigfoln		
40. sliusce		
41. itfhheeanr		
42. ryd		
43. tew		
44. nyuns		
45. dnhrrttsomue		

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M P W H O U D U I D R Y Q S O T Z G Q S K B X N H
I R A I N F A L L S N O W N O O N Q H A I L E O A
L I R L F T F T S U G N H R V I Q S H O W E R T Z
D S M L G R S Q U A L L M E N I H S N U S M M I E
U U K Y O P F O R E C A S T A F R E E Z E G I D C
L N T N M Z G B G O F F H R A I N D R O P Z B E L
L N T K S Z D T L J W G Z S N O W F L A K E L L O
U Y A S H W P R E C I P I T A T I O N O R G I B U
D T T Z L O H V D L Y L R A E L C X D S U N Z A D
P I F L L B E E N A C I R R U H X A V R W Y Z E J
I D B H A N W L L A Y C F J R A N W O A V P A G A
L I T U F I S N Z M K A A R G R T E E I L O R N D
E M N M W A E R T Z R M I C O H D R C N L O D A H
D U N I O R N I C E I O R T U S U Q H I F H O H P
G H T D N A N H H D E R T N I T T I E X K R H C A
R A G O S N O O H P Y T D S A C J Z H B X C H Y Q
E Y L W I N D T T M G E F R R D E C J I X G A T M
H Z Q E U V K D M H R C E T I E H N E R H A F L C
T T E L B A I R A V G P F O R G D Q L E K U X E B
A E Y Z B P I V G N M U L B N R U N N N E D L G Y
E E T D F H F X J E D L O C F E W O U Q R S I C Y
W L E L R E C G T K P R O R Z E Z E N H I A N Y U
A S W M O N S O O N N U D T D O Z B U U T Y K I N
L V I S I B I L I T Y L C G Y Z M W S A S S Y F Q

BLACKICE
BLIZZARD
BREEZE
CELSIUS
CHANGEABLE
CHILLY
CLEAR
CLOUD
COLD
COOL
DEGREE
DRIZZLE
DROUGHT
DRY
DULL
FAHRENHEIT
FAIR
FLOOD
FOG
FORECAST
FREEZE
FRONT
FROST

GALE
GUST
HAIL
HAZE
HOT
HUMID
HUMIDITY
HURRICANE
ICE
ICY
KNOT
LIGHTNING
MILD
MONSOON
NICE
OZONE
PRECIPITATION
RAIN
RAINBOW
RAINDROP
RAINFALL
SHOWER
SKY

SLEET
SMOG
SNOW
SNOWFALL
SNOWFLAKE
SQUALL
STORM
SUN
SUNNY
SUNSHINE
TEMPERATURE
THUNDER
THUNDERSTORM
TIDE
TORNADO
TYPHOON
VARIABLE
VISIBILITY
WARM
WEATHER
WET
WIND
WINDCHILL