

Deutsch Year 3 Unit 11: Das Wetter (The Weather)

Das Wetter

		
Die Sonne scheint.	Es regnet.	Es schneit.
		
Es ist heiß.	Es ist kalt.	Es donnert.
		
Die Sonnenbrille	<i>der Regenschirm</i>	Es donnert und blitzt.

Cultural Aspect

In former times it is said that people in Germany used to predict the weather by putting a frog in a jar with a small ladder. When the frog climbed the ladder, this meant that there would be sunshine, but if he decided not to climb the ladder, bad weather was on its way. The explanation is that flies fly higher above the ground when the weather is nicer. Therefore the frog climbs up the ladder to catch them. In Germany people still refer to weather predictions with "What will the *Wetterfrosch* say?" or they will call somebody a '*Wetterfrosch*', e.g. the presenter on TV who announces the weather.



Other words you might need...

der Regen	Rain
Nass	Wet
<i>schön</i>	Lovely/beautiful
<i>der Wetterfrosch</i>	Weatherfrog
<i>tropf, tropf, tropf</i>	Drip, drip, drip
<i>plitsch, plitsch, platsch</i>	Splash, splash, splash

Key phrases

Das ist richtig.	That's right.
Das ist falsch.	That's wrong.
<i>Wie ist das Wetter heute?</i>	What's the weather like today?
<i>Es ist kalt/eiskalt.</i>	It is cold/icy cold.
<i>Es ist warm.</i>	It is warm.
<i>Es ist heiß.</i>	It is hot.
<i>Es ist (nicht) schön.</i>	It is (not) nice weather.
<i>Es ist sonnig.</i>	It is sunny.