

When you're learning English, it's important to be able to answer the common, everyday questions that people ask you. Today we're asking people another very common question: Do you like the weather?

What do you think of the weather today?

KEIRAN: It's a pretty nice day today. Very nice.

You're enjoying the weather?

KEIRAN: Yes, I am.

And what do you think of the weather today?

APRIL: It's **cool**. It's good. It's **warm** but it's not like **heaps** sunny and it's not **raining**.

And what do you think of the weather today?

NICK: It's a bit **rainy**, a bit cloudy but it's all right.

JADYNNE: The weather today is **all right**, a bit too cold for my liking but it's **okay**. It's still a bit sunny so it's **not too bad**. I'd say it's a little bit cloudy. It's a bit windy but not too bad and the sun's coming through every so often

MICHAEL: Today's weather started off really bad because it was cold and raining and I had to walk here but it's now quite nice.

SUSAN: I think the weather today is lovely. I like autumn. **Autumn** in Adelaide is very nice. It's nice and **crisp** and there's lots of leaves on the ground, lots of colours off the trees, it's nice.

Typically South Australian autumnal weather.

story notes

cool

Cool means cold, but not too cold.

However here, April doesn't mean that the weather is cool, she means that the weather is good, and she likes it.

As a slang word, **cool** also means great, or really good.

warm

hot but not too hot

heaps

Heaps is a slang word. It means a lot or very.

He's **heaps** good-looking.

raining

Raining is the **-ing** form, the continuous tense, of the verb 'to rain'.

'It's raining' means that right now, there is rain

It's not raining' means there is no rain right at that moment.

rainy

The adjective from the verb 'to rain' is **rainy**.

It describes the type of weather.

I don't like **rainy** days.

Adding a **y** to weather nouns is a common way of turning them into adjectives to describe the day's weather.

It's **stormy**.

It's **sunny**.

It's **windy**.

It's **cloudy**.

all right

All right, okay and **not too bad** all mean the same. They mean that something is average or satisfactory.

Notice that **all right** can also be written **alright**.

okay

Okay, all right and **not too bad** all mean the same. They mean that something is average or satisfactory.

Okay can also be written with just the letters **O** and **K** - **OK**

not too bad

Not too bad, all right and **okay** all mean the same. They mean that something is average or satisfactory.

autumn

Autumn the season between summer and winter.

In Australia, **autumn** is from March to May
It's when the weather is getting colder.

Words for the seasons are today's spotlight.

crisp

cool and dry

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Exactly the type of weather you'd expect in autumn in South Australia.

Autumnal is the adjective meaning of or like autumn.

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spotlight

seasons

The everyday season words used in English are **spring, summer, autumn** and **winter**.

Winter is the coldest time of year when there is the least sunshine.

The adjective we use to say something is of or like winter is **wintry**.
You don't get **wintry** weather near the Equator.

Summer is the hottest time of year when the days are the longest.

The adjective we use to say something is of or like summer is **summery**.
We're having such beautiful **summery** weather.

Autumn is the season between summer and winter. In autumn it is getting colder and leaves are falling from the trees. This is the season Americans call **fall**.

The adjective we use to say something is of or like autumn is **autumnal**.
It's nice and crisp and there's lots of leaves on the ground, lots of colours off the trees, it's nice. Typically South Australian **autumnal** weather.

Spring is the season that follows winter, when it begins to get warm again and the days get longer.

The adjective we use to say something is of or like spring is **spring-like**.
A sunny day in winter can feel quite **spring-like**.