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EPISODE 4: CLOUDS

ACTIVITY SHEET

Practise and consolidate your learning about paragraphs and weather words by completing our activities.

ACTIVITY 1

The jumbled sentences below form a paragraph about rice. Make the paragraph coherent by writing out the sentences in correct order. Think about the logical order of ideas and the use, function and meaning of transition signals.

- 1. On the other hand, the beverage industry uses rice to make beer and sake.
- 2. As an important source of carbohydrates, supplying the body with energy, rice also contains some protein, B vitamins and minerals.
- 3. Rice, a staple food for more than half the people in the world, is beneficial for a number of reasons.
- 4. In addition, rice is beneficial to the food industry in the preparation of processed foods.
- 5. Its fat content is negligible, and, therefore, considered a desirable food source for those on a restricted diet.
- 6. First, it is a highly nutritious cereal grain.
- 7. For example, it is one of the important ingredients used in breakfast cereals and snack foods.





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monsoon

ACTIVITY 2

Choose which severe weather condition in the box below best describes each of the situations.

blizzard tsunami drought heat wave tornado

tropical cyclone thunderstorm hurricane typhoon 1. a lengthy period of unusually hot weather with excessive humidity 2. a storm with thunder, lightning, rain and possibly strong gusts of wind 3. a severe and intense tropical storm occurring over the North Atlantic Ocean with wind speeds greater than 120 kilometres per hour 4. a winter storm with strong winds, heavy snowfall and reduced visibility 5. a destructive tropical storm with raging winds occurring in the western regions of the Pacific Ocean around Taiwan, Japan, Hong Kong etc. 6. a huge destructive ocean wave which may be caused by an earthquake, and strikes coastlines with little warning 7. seasonal winds which bring strong heavy rains 8. a violent circular tropical windstorm occurring over the Indian Ocean



9.	localised destructive windstorm moving in a funnel-shaped pattern
10	an abnormally long period of time without sufficient rainfall which adversely affects humankind
	

ANSWERS ACTIVITY 1

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Rice, a staple food for more than half the people in the world, is beneficial for a number of reasons. First, it is a highly nutritious cereal grain. As an important source of carbohydrates, supplying the body with energy, rice also contains some protein, B vitamins and minerals. Its fat content is negligible, and, therefore, considered a desirable food source for those on a restricted diet. In addition, rice is beneficial to the food industry in the preparation of processed foods. For example, it is one of the important ingredients used in breakfast cereals and snack foods. On the other hand, the beverage industry uses rice to make beer and sake.

ANSWERS ACTIVITY 2

Choose which severe weather condition in the box below best describes each of the situations.

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1. a lengthy period of unusually hot weather with excessive humidity

heatwave

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thunderstorm

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hurricane

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blizzard

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drought

