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## Week 6 – Weather

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### Word List

**Voice: Female, Accent**

1. Weather Vane
2. Wind Gusts
3. Balmy
4. Temperate
5. Calm

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Welcome to today's short passage.

**Short Passage**

**Voice: Female, Accent**

Snow crystals form in clouds when the temperature is below freezing point. They are created by water droplets freezing on small ice particles. As an ice crystal drops through the cloud it bumps and knocks others and becomes a snowflake. This process of bumping others, along with a little melting and re-freezing aids the creation of their complex design. The air that the snowflake drops through has to be below freezing otherwise the snowflake will simply melt and turn into rain.

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Welcome to today's long passage.

**Long Passage**

**Voice: Female**

A supercell is a thunderstorm that is characterized by the presence of a deep, persistently rotating updraft. For this reason, these storms are sometimes referred to as rotating thunderstorms. Of the four classifications of thunderstorms (supercell, squall line, multi-cell, and single-cell), supercells are overall least common and have the potential to be the most severe. Supercells are often isolated from other thunderstorms, and can affect the local weather up to 20 miles away.

Supercells are often put into three classification types: Classic, Low-precipitation, and High-precipitation. Low-precipitation supercells are usually found in climates that are more arid, such as the high plains of the United States, and High-precipitation supercells are most often found in moist climates. Supercells can occur anywhere in the world under the right pre-existing weather conditions, but they are most common in the Great Plains of the United States in an area known as Tornado Alley and in the plains of Argentina, Uruguay and southern Brazil.



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Supercells are usually found isolated from other thunderstorms, although they can sometimes be embedded in a squall line. Typically, supercells are found in the warm sector of a low pressure system propagating generally in a north easterly direction in line with the cold front of the low pressure system. Because they can last for hours, they are known as quasi-steady-state storms.

Supercells can be any size – large or small, low or high topped. They usually produce copious amounts of hail, torrential rainfall, strong winds, and substantial downbursts. Supercells are one of the few types of clouds that typically spawn tornadoes, although less than 30% do.

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