

Forecasting

Complete the first two components, Pre-Reading Zone In and Pre-Reading Predicting, before reading the complete text. Then undertake the remaining components, from During Reading My Connection. Each component will open the relevant pages of text, if applicable, but you can go back to any part of the text at any time.

Tab 1 Pre-Reading Zone In

Tab 2 Pre-Reading Predicting

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The first three questions are literal questions, so the correct statement can be found in the text. The next two are interpretative or inferential questions, meaning that students need to interpret or infer from the text to find the correct statement. The final question is an applied or evaluative question, so students need to apply or evaluate the information from the text to choose an answer, and there may be no “correct” answer.

Here are the answers for the assessment task.

Literal

1. a Weather maps show weather conditions.
2. d In the Southern Hemisphere, winds flow clockwise around low-pressure systems.
3. c Low-pressure systems often bring rain.

Interpretative or inferential

1. d Weather maps are useful for all of the above.
2. a Sudden strong winds can make take-off and landing of planes dangerous.

Applied or evaluative

Answers may vary.

As an additional assessment task, ask each student to read the following text out loud. Then mark any errors and work out the percentage of accuracy to see how well each student can read aloud.

This text is 116 words. To convert to a percentage of accuracy, divide the number of words pronounced correctly by 116 and multiply by 100.

A weather map is a very useful way to show weather conditions for a particular place and time. Maps are updated every few hours as new information comes in.

TV weather people stand in front of a bright green or blue screen, onto which a computer superimposes the map. The person cannot wear the same colour as the screen or their bodies would not be seen by viewers.

Before going on holiday, most people check weather reports to see what the weather will be like at their destination.

Aircraft can safely fly in high winds as they can fly much faster than the wind. However, sudden strong wind gusts on take-off and landing can be dangerous.

