

SCENE 32 • NUMBER 7

Colder than Hamburg

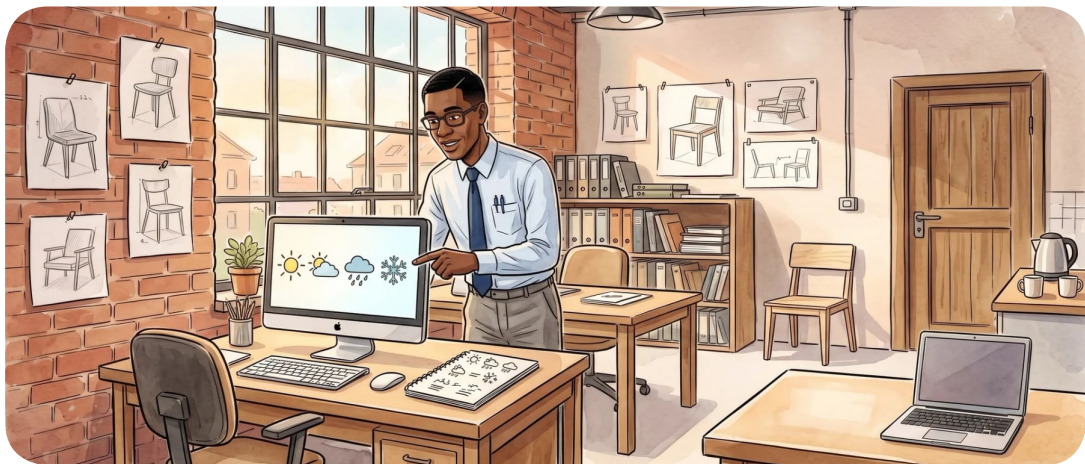
Wednesday. Tom has the forecast for next week, festival week, on his screen: Monday rain, twelve degrees; Tuesday sun, twenty degrees. What is it like at home now? And in winter here? Minus ten degrees. And in summer, where do people go? To the sea, to the lake, to Grandma's in the country.

149 Words · 5 Exercises · Duration: 15 min.

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LEARNING GOAL

I can understand a forecast, compare the weather here and at home, and talk about the seasons.

Tom = ■ Lena (Lukas) = ○

- Do you know next week's forecast?
- Why next week?
- The town festival is on Saturday. Monday rain, twelve degrees. Tuesday sun, twenty degrees. Wednesday clouds and wind.

- What is the weather like in Hamburg?
- Today it is colder here than in Hamburg. It rains often there too.
- More often than here?
- Sometimes almost every day.
- What is winter like here?
- Cold. In January it is sometimes minus ten degrees.
- In Hamburg it is usually warmer in winter.
- I like winter. The cats are indoors then.
- Which season do you like best?
- Summer. I like swimming.
- Many people go to the sea. The sea is colder than our lake.
- But it is bigger.
- And further away.
- What about Saturday?
- First sun, then rain. Perhaps snow too.
- Snow? In April?

He points under his desk: four bags in a row.

- Anything is possible in April. I take four bags. For sun, rain, wind and snow.
- Perhaps one bigger bag is better.

Vocabulary

DOING THINGS

swim	swim
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PLACES IN TOWN

sea	sea
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WHAT THINGS AND PEOPLE ARE LIKE

next	next (next week)
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favourite	favourite
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SEASONS

winter	winter
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summer	summer
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DATES AND EVENTS

festival	festival
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WEATHER

cold	cold
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minus	minus
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warm	warm
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snow	snow
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LISTENING & UNDERSTANDING**L1) WHO SAYS IT**

Read the dialogue again. Who says these words? Tick the right person.

1 Do you know next week's forecast?

- ☐ A Lena
- ☐ B Tom

2 I like winter. The cats are indoors then.

- ☐ A Tom
- ☐ B Lena

L2) WHAT DOES IT MEAN

Tick the right English meaning.

1 What is the weather like in Hamburg?

- ☐ A What is the weather like in Hamburg?
- ☐ B Cold. In January it is sometimes minus ten degrees.
- ☐ C First sun, then rain. Perhaps snow too.

2 But it is bigger.

- ☐ A What about Saturday?
- ☐ B But it is bigger.
- ☐ C Which season do you like best?

L3) HOW DO YOU SAY IT

Tick the right English sentence.

1 More often than here?

- ☐ A Snow? In April?
- ☐ B More often than here?
- ☐ C What about Saturday?

2 And further away.

- ☐ A Many people go to the sea. The sea is colder than our lake.
- ☐ B But it is bigger.
- ☐ C And further away.

L4) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER

Write the words in the right order on the line.

- 1 winter is like What here?
-

- 2 one bag Perhaps better. bigger is
-

L5) WHAT HAPPENS FIRST

Number the lines in the order they come in the scene.

- ☐ What is winter like here?
- ☐ Snow? In April?
- ☐ I like winter. The cats are indoors then.
- ☐ But it is bigger.
- ☐ Why next week?

SCENE 32 • WORDS

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4 Exercises • Duration: 10 min.

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next
next (next
week)



festival
festival



cold
cold



winter
winter



minus
minus



warm
warm



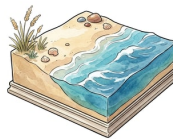
favourite
favourite



summer
summer



swim
swim



sea
sea



snow
snow



spring
spring

Words

FROM THE SCENE

next

next (next week)

Why next week?

festival

festival

The town festival is on Saturday. Monday rain, twelve degrees. Tuesday sun, twenty degrees. Wednesday clouds and wind.

cold

cold

Cold. In January it is sometimes minus ten degrees.

winter

winter

What is winter like here?

minus

minus

Cold. In January it is sometimes minus ten degrees.

warm

warm

In Hamburg it is usually warmer in winter.

favourite

favourite

summer

summer

Summer. I like swimming.

swim

swim

Summer. I like swimming.

sea

sea

Which season do you like best?

snow

snow

Snow? In April?

NEW WORDS

spring

spring

This is a spring.

VOCABULARY & COMMUNICATION**W1) WHAT DOES IT MEAN?**

What does it mean?

1 winter

- ☐ A platform
- ☐ B winter
- ☐ C tired

2 warm

- ☐ A next to
- ☐ B yellow
- ☐ C warm

3 spring

- ☐ A loud
- ☐ B homework
- ☐ C spring

4 next

- ☐ A next (next week)
- ☐ B outside
- ☐ C almost

5 festival

- ☐ A hear
- ☐ B festival
- ☐ C job

6 summer

- ☐ A daughter
- ☐ B November
- ☐ C summer

W2) COMPLETE THE CONVERSATION

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

More What Why know

Do you _____ next week's forecast?

Meaning: Do you know next week's forecast?

Why know More What

_____ next week?

Meaning: Why next week?

Why More know What

_____ is the weather like in Hamburg?

Meaning: What is the weather like in Hamburg?

More What know Why

_____ often than here?

Meaning: More often than here?

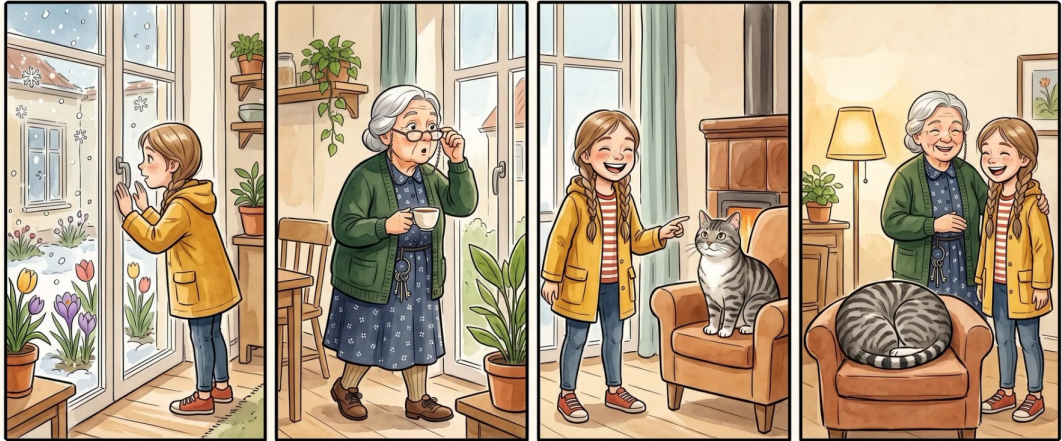
Sometimes know Why What

_____ almost every day.

Meaning: Sometimes almost every day.

W3) GRANDMA, LOOK! IT'S SNOWING OUTSIDE!

Fill the speech bubbles.



like summer Snow Grandma

Nicky: _____, look! It's snowing outside!

Anne: _____? But it's spring!

Nicky: I _____ winter! What about you, Milo?

Anne: No. Milo's a _____ cat.

Meaning: 1. Grandma, look! It's snowing outside!

2. Snow? But it's spring!

3. I like winter! What about you, Milo?

4. No. Milo's a summer cat.

W4) COMPLETE THE CONVERSATION

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

What know Why More

Do you _____ next week's forecast?

Meaning: Do you know next week's forecast?

Why know What More

_____ next week?

Meaning: Why next week?

More Why know What

_____ is the weather like in Hamburg?

Meaning: What is the weather like in Hamburg?

What know Why More

_____ often than here?

Meaning: More often than here?

know What Why Sometimes

_____ almost every day.

Meaning: Sometimes almost every day.

colder than, bigger than, better

Comparing two things

6 Exercises · Duration: 20 min.

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Comparing two things

Short adjectives often add **-er**: **cold** → **colder**, **small** → **smaller**. A final **-e** needs only **-r**: **large** → **larger**. In a short consonant-vowel-consonant adjective, double the consonant: **big** → **bigger**.

Longer adjectives commonly use **more**: **more interesting**, **more expensive**. Do not combine **more** with an **-er** form in this basic pattern. **Good** → **better** and **bad** → **worse** are irregular.

Use **than** to introduce the other thing: **colder than Hamburg**, **bigger than our lake**. The comparative does not change for a plural noun or a female speaker.

Form	Example	Meaning
colder	It's colder here than in Hamburg.	Compare the temperature at two places.
bigger	This bag is bigger than that one.	Compare the size of two bags.
more	This plan is more interesting.	Compare with a longer adjective.
better	This coffee is better.	Use the irregular comparative of good.

Form	Example	Meaning
than	The sea is bigger than the lake.	Introduce the second part of a comparison.
expensive	This jacket is more expensive.	Use a normal long-adjective comparison.

It's colder here than in Hamburg.

Compare the temperature at two places.

This bag is bigger than that one.

Compare the size of two bags.

This plan is more interesting.

Compare with a longer adjective.

This coffee is better.

Use the irregular comparative of good.

The sea is bigger than the lake.

Introduce the second part of a comparison.

This jacket is more expensive.

Use a normal long-adjective comparison.

GRAMMAR

G1) NOTICE THE PATTERNS

Underline the form described in this unit.

- 1 It's colder here than in Hamburg.

Meaning: Compare the temperature at two places.

- 2 This bag is bigger than that one.

Meaning: Compare the size of two bags.

- 3 This plan is more interesting.

Meaning: Compare with a longer adjective.

- 4 This coffee is better.

Meaning: Use the irregular comparative of good.

- 5 The sea is bigger than the lake.

Meaning: Introduce the second part of a comparison.

- 6 This jacket is more expensive.

Meaning: Use a normal long-adjective comparison.

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM

Choose the right word for the gap.

- 1 It's _____ here than in Hamburg.

- ☐ A coldest
- ☐ B more colder
- ☐ C colder

Meaning: Compare the temperature at two places.

- 2 This bag is _____ than that one.

- ☐ A bigger
- ☐ B biger
- ☐ C biggest

Meaning: Compare the size of two bags.

3 This plan is _____ interesting.

- ☐ A many
- ☐ B more
- ☐ C much

Meaning: Compare with a longer adjective.

4 This coffee is _____.

- ☐ A best
- ☐ B gooder
- ☐ C better

Meaning: Use the irregular comparative of good.

5 The sea is bigger _____ the lake.

- ☐ A than
- ☐ B as
- ☐ C then

Meaning: Introduce the second part of a comparison.

6 This jacket is more _____.

- ☐ A expensive
- ☐ B expensivest
- ☐ C expensiver

Meaning: Use a normal long-adjective comparison.

G3) COMPLETE A SHORT MESSAGE

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

colder more colder

It's _____ here than in Hamburg.

Meaning: Compare the temperature at two places.

bigger bigger

This bag is _____ than that one.

Meaning: Compare the size of two bags.

more much

This plan is _____ interesting.

Meaning: Compare with a longer adjective.

better gooder

This coffee is _____.

Meaning: Use the irregular comparative of good.

than then

The sea is bigger _____ the lake.

Meaning: Introduce the second part of a comparison.

expensive expensiver

This jacket is more _____.

Meaning: Use a normal long-adjective comparison.

G4) BUILD USEFUL SENTENCES

Put the words in order.

- 1 colder It's than Hamburg. here in
-

Meaning: Compare the temperature at two places.

- 2 that one. bigger than is bag This
-

Meaning: Compare the size of two bags.

3 is plan more interesting. This

Meaning: Compare with a longer adjective.

4 coffee This better. is

Meaning: Use the irregular comparative of good.

5 than the sea is The lake. bigger

Meaning: Introduce the second part of a comparison.

6 jacket more is This expensive.

Meaning: Use a normal long-adjective comparison.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 Compare the temperature at two places. You say:

- ☐ A It's more colder here than in Hamburg.
- ☐ B It's colder here than in Hamburg.

2 Compare the size of two bags. You say:

- ☐ A This bag is bigger than that one.
- ☐ B This bag is bigger than that one.

3 Compare with a longer adjective. You say:

- ☐ A This plan is more interesting.
- ☐ B This plan is much interesting.

4 Use the irregular comparative of good. You say:

- ☐ A This coffee is gooder.
- ☐ B This coffee is better.

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

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|-------------------------------------|--|
| ① This jacket is more expensive. | Ⓐ Introduce the second part of a comparison. |
| ② This bag is bigger than that one. | Ⓑ Compare the size of two bags. |
| ③ This plan is more interesting. | Ⓒ Use a normal long-adjective comparison. |
| ④ The sea is bigger than the lake. | Ⓓ Compare with a longer adjective. |
| ⑤ It's colder here than in Hamburg. | Ⓔ Compare the temperature at two places. |
| ⑥ This coffee is better. | Ⓕ Use the irregular comparative of good. |