

Unit 9 Every drop counts

Teacher's notes and Answer key

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Answers

heatwave – a period of time when the weather is much hotter than usual

moisture – very small drops of water in the air or on a surface

mudslide – a mass of wet earth moving suddenly and quickly

pouring with rain – raining heavily

puddle – pool of liquid (usually rain) on the ground

shallow (water) – not deep

soaking wet – completely wet

stream – a small river

water shortage – when there is not enough water

waterfall – water falling from a high place often to a pool below

widespread – large amount of water affecting a lot of people or places

2

Tell the students that there is no correct answer for this. Students should create their order first and then discuss it with a partner.

Suggested order

heatwave

water shortage

moisture

puddle

shallow (water)

stream

mudslide

pouring with rain/soaking wet

waterfall

widespread floods

3

Ask the students to think of as many words as they can to describe extreme weather. They should then compare their list with a partner. You can then do a whole class feedback and build up a list on the board. To get them started you may like to suggest a word e.g. typhoon

Students should then discuss with their partner any experiences they have had of extreme weather.

Alternatively, they could prepare a two-minute talk about an experience of extreme weather saying where they were, what the weather was, what happened, and what happened afterwards.

