Short story.



WEATHER

Before you read the story, match these columns and see how many you can "guess" correctly.

a gentle wind	outdoor activities
a pleasant smell	barbecues
cooking food on a grill in the backyard	breeze
drops of rain falling from the sky	blossoms
activities done outside	fragrance
flowers that are opening up	raindrops

Megan lives in a small town called Sunnyville. The weather in Sunnyville is always sunny, making the town a warm and happy place to live. The people of Sunnyville would wake up to clear blue skies, sometimes with a gentle breeze in the air, and feel the warm sun on their faces. They would go outside and enjoy outdoor activities like playing in the park, having picnics, or riding bicycles.

Families would get together on a weekend and the children would play in the swimming pool, the adults would have barbecues in the backyard, grilling chicken, steak, and sausages on the fire.

The townspeople would wear light and colorful clothes, like shorts and summer dresses, to stay comfortable in the sunny weather. They would put on sunglasses to protect their eyes from the bright sunlight.

The sunny weather also brought beautiful flowers in spring. There would be colorful blossoms in gardens, spreading their sweet fragrance. Bees and butterflies would fly from flower to flower, adding more beauty to the town.

Even though it rarely rained in Sunnyville, when it did, the people would admire the sight of raindrops falling from the sky. They would watch from their windows and enjoy how the rain made everything look fresh and clean.

Comprehension Questions

- 1. Where does Megan live?
- 2. What is the weather like in Sunnyville?
- 3. How do the people feel about their sunny weather?
- 4. What kinds of activities do people do outside in Sunnyville?
- 5. What do families do on a weekend in Sunnyville?
- 6. What can you grill [barbecue] on a fire?
- 7. How do the people in Sunnyville dress to stay comfortable?
- 8. What do the people do when it rains in Sunnyville?

Quiz Questions

- 1. Do you have lots of sunny weather in your hometown?
- 2. Do you like to barbecue and eat meat in the summer?
- 3. Would you like, or do you need, a swimming pool in your backyard?
- 4. Does it rain often in your hometown?
- 5. What do you do when it rains?
- 6. Are there many bees in your neighborhood?
- 7. Are there a lot of flowers for the bees where you live?
- 8. What are your favorite summer clothes?

Teacher's Key

activities done outside	outdoor activities
cooking food on a grill in the backyard	barbecues
a gentle wind	breeze
flowers that are opening up	blossoms
a pleasant smell	fragrance
drops of rain falling from the sky	raindrops

Comprehension Questions

- 1. Megan lives in a small town called Sunnyville.
- 2. The weather in Sunnyville was always sunny.
- 3. The people of Sunnyville loved their sunny weather.
- 4. People in Sunnyville enjoyed outdoor activities like playing in the park, having picnics, and riding bicycles.
- 5. Families would get together and have barbecues in the backyard.
- 6. You can grill / barbecue all kinds of meat, like chicken, steak, etc.
- 7. People in Sunnyville dressed in light and colorful clothes, like shorts and summer dresses.
- 8. When it rained in Sunnyville, the people would watch from their windows and admire the raindrops falling from the sky.