







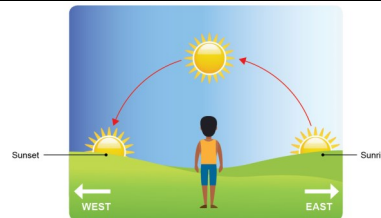
season	There are four <i>seasons</i> each year. They are autumn , winter , spring and summer .	
spring March April May	In spring , the weather starts to get warmer. The leaves begin to grow on the trees and some trees may blossom (have flowers). Plants begin to grow and you may see baby animals like lambs around. The day-times start to get longer.	
summer June July August	In summer , the weather gets hotter and dryer. The daytime is long and the nights are short. Summer has the longest daylight hours. The trees are full of leaves and there are lots of flowers, bees, butterflies and other insects.	
autumn September October November	In autumn , the weather begins to get colder. The leaves start to fall from the trees. The amount of daylight becomes less. This means the daytimes are shorter and the night times are longer. Some animals prepare to hibernate	
winter December January February	In winter , the weather is much colder. Sometimes it is cold enough to freeze, leaving frost and ice on the ground. It sometimes snows. Many trees have bare branches as all their leaves have fallen off. The day-times are the shortest in the year and the night times are the longest.	



The weather changes with the seasons. The change in weather causes other changes for plants, animals and us.

weather The **weather** includes the temperature outside, the wind direction and strength, as well as rain, cloud, snow and sun.

sun	Our nearest star. It gives us heat and light.
sunrise	The time in the morning when the sun appears.
sunset	The time in the evening when the sun disappears.
daylight	Daylight is when it is light outside. The amount of daylight changes with each season.



In the UK, the day length is longest at mid-summer (about 16 hours) and gets shorter each day until mid-winter (about 8 hours) before getting longer again.