

4B This word means ...

Aim

to review the nature and seasons vocabulary from the unit

Activity type

a game in which students guess the correct word for a given definition

Classroom dynamics

pairwork

Time taken

10 minutes

Preparation

You will need one copy of the activity sheet per pair, cut up into cards.

Procedure

- 1 Divide the class into pairs and give each pair a set of cards, placed face down in a pile on the desk. Tell students they are going to play a game where they have to guess the correct word for a definition.
- 2 Student A takes a card and reads the definition out to their partner (but not the word/phrase in brackets!). Student B must provide the correct word or phrase (in brackets on the card) to match the definition. If the word/phrase is correct, Student B keeps the card. If not, it is placed aside and it is Student B's turn to take a card and read out the definition for Student A to guess the word/phrase.
- 3 Students take turns reading the definitions and guessing the correct answers until the cards run out. The student with the most cards wins.
- 4 Students then review any cards they placed aside.

Adaptation and extension

To extend the activity, or for fast finishers, pairs can think of other vocabulary items related to nature and the seasons and write their own definitions. These can be exchanged with another pair for them to guess the missing words/phrases.

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This word refers to the level of acid in a liquid. (acidity)	This word refers to an area of the planet with a community of plants and animals. (biome)
This word means a connection between two or more things. (correlation)	This word means a process which repeats over time. (cycle)
This word means a long period without rainfall. (drought)	This word refers to the way in which cows and other animals eat grass. (graze)
This word refers to the action of collecting plants, fruits or vegetables, often in the autumn. (harvest)	This word refers to distance of a location from the equator or the North/South Pole. (latitude)
This word means the way that you earn money to survive. (livelihood)	This word refers to animals, often on a farm, which produce money either from their products or from their meat. (livestock)
This word refers to something (usually an animal) which is undesirable or damaging. (pest)	This word means to severely damage something. (ravage)
This is a period of the year which usually has its own distinct weather and temperatures. (season)	This phrase refers to changes in the normal weather and temperature patterns around the world. (seasonal shift)
This word means to grow very well. (thrive)	This word refers to something which happens at an unusual time of year. (unseasonable)
This word means undesirable plants. (weeds)	This word refers to an area of land which has a lot of water, and supports certain types of animals and plants. (wetland)