

Read and write

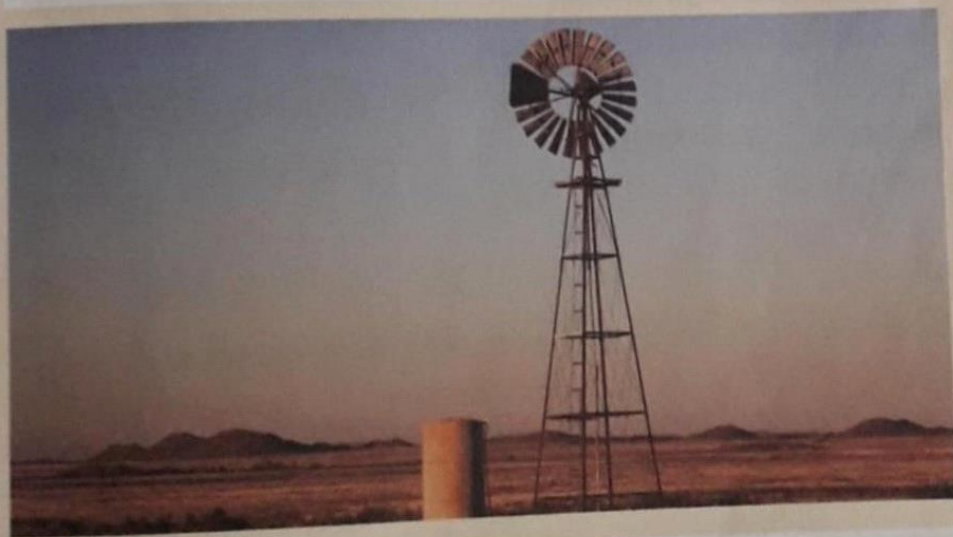
Before you write

Information about the **weather** or **climate** can also be written as paragraphs in words and sentences.

Read the passage below from the story called *Down on the farm*. In it, William Plomer describes what the climate is like in the Stormberg area of South Africa.

Read

In winter, it is all bleached and bone-dry, standing water freezes at night and there are one or two heavy falls of snow. In summer, there are sometimes great storms, but for the most part, the climate is pleasant enough. The days are never excessively hot and the nights are always cool.



Word list

weather – the state of the wind, rain and sunshine

climate – what the weather is usually like in different places at different times of the year

Write

1. Write a short summary of what the weather is like in the place William Plomer describes. Use your own words.
2. Write a description of what the climate is like in your area. Describe winter and summer in separate paragraphs. Use a topic sentence to start each paragraph.