



# Exploring the Seasons

## Activity sheet

### Compare data from different places

The schools taking part in Japan UK LIVE! come from different parts of Japan and the UK. This gives you a great opportunity to collect and compare information from different places over the year. You can follow the weather or other aspects of nature through the seasons.

Use tables to show information you have gained from other people's messages. If you need any more information to complete your table, then ask for it on the talkboard.

#### Step 1

Use classroom maps or the Japan UK LIVE! map worksheet and mark the position of schools taking part from the UK and Japan. If you're not sure where a school is, then ask on the talkboard.



#### Step 2

Decide what you are going to investigate. For example: temperature, weather, rain & snowfall (precipitation), sunrise and sunset times, flowers in season, festivals at different times of the year.

Make a table to collect the information (use the worksheet to help you)

#### Step 3

Report back to the talkboard on what you have found out.

Use graphs to illustrate temperature or rainfall.

Try and describe the weather or different festivals around the UK and Japan. What characteristics do you notice?

See if you can make links between the geography of an area and its climate.

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## Using this worksheet

Once you have decided what you are going to investigate, make your own data table using this worksheet to help you. We've made a template (Seasons Table Worksheet), so you just need to add headings.

eg Investigate the weekly temperature or precipitation, or time of sunrise and sunset

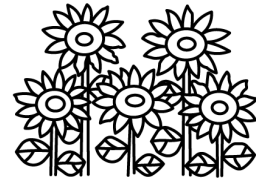
Maximum & minimum temperature



Period: May 2005		°C (highest / lowest temp during the week)			
School name	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	
eg. Japan Junior High School	21 / 13	23 / 13	25 / 15	25 / 14	
UK Primary School	14 / 10	13 / 9	16 / 10	15 / 11	

eg Find out about seasonal plants

When flowers come into bloom



School name	daffodils	cherry	tulips	sunflowers
eg. Japan Junior High School	January 28	March 28	April 19	July 20
UK Primary School	February 4	April 10	May 5	August 3

eg Find out about events and festivals throughout the year

Events and Festivals



Period April - July				
School name	April	May	June	July
eg. Japan Junior High School	Cherry blossom viewing	Children's Day	Father's Day	Tanabata
UK Primary School	April Fools Day	May Day	Father's Day	School sports day