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Understanding an article on a news website on the internet!

- 1 You are going to go on the internet to find out information about the weather in various parts of the world. Go to www.weather.co.uk. You will see a box labelled ***Local Weather Guide***.
 - a Choose method one and type in five towns or cities in the world to find out the weather today and tomorrow. Include the temperature and a brief weather description.

	<i>Today</i>	<i>Tomorrow</i>
<i>City 1</i>		
<i>City 2</i>		
<i>City 3</i>		
<i>City 4</i>		
<i>City 5</i>		

- b Where would you like to be?
- 2 Look at the top twenty UK cities. Which ones do you know? Find out the temperature of three cities in the north and three in the south.

	<i>North</i>	<i>South</i>
<i>City 1</i>		
<i>City 2</i>		
<i>City 3</i>		

- 3 What is at the bottom of the homepage? Is it possible to enlarge this feature? Do you like it?



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TEACHER'S NOTES:

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Aim: to use the internet to understand an article of news (real practice of the can do statement; understanding an article). This worksheet is designed to be used in conjunction with unit 8.

Time: 40 minutes

Materials: photocopies of the worksheet for each student.

- 1 Make sure that students have found the website successfully. It is a clear presentation but check that they choose method one - the easiest approach is to just type in a town and city rather than postcode, unless they do know postcodes off by heart. The resulting data from clicking on a location gives more than ten day forecasts, but just two days is sufficient for this activity. There is also a few words on the weather for that today which conveniently suits this particular language level.
- 2 Quickly run through the list of the top twenty cities and demonstrate the scroll down function. Then check with the students to check they are clear on what is north and what is south. Monitor, and help where necessary, to check that student are finding the right information.
- 3 If you have time, elicit the answer from the students.

Answers: Satellite map. Yes, instruction = click to enlarge



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