

First Nations Time & Weather

Name: _____

Date: _____

WORKED EXAMPLE

First Nations Australians have watched the land and sky for a very long time to understand how the world works. They use weather patterns and the seasons to explain when things happen. When certain plants flower, or animals move, breed, or appear, these signs tell people that a new time of year has come. Many groups follow their own seasonal calendars with more than four seasons. This knowledge helps explain why things happen and when to hunt, gather, and stay safe.

Q1

Circle the things that can tell us the time of year is changing: flowers opening, birds arriving, stars in the sky, a plastic clock.

Q2

First Nations peoples use weather patterns and seasons to explain when things happen. Tick one: yes ☐ no ☐

Q3

Draw a plant in one season, then draw the same plant in a different season.

Q4

Draw a line to match: flowering wattle, arriving birds, night stars — a sign in plants, a sign in animals, a sign in the sky.

Q5

First Nations peoples read the sky, weather, and _____ to know when things will happen.

Q6

Instead of only clocks, First Nations peoples use the _____ and weather to tell the time of year.

Q7

Look at the pictures on the lesson slide. Draw one sign in nature and write what it tells us is happening.

Q8 CHALLENGE

Look outside or through a window. Draw one sign in nature, and write what it might tell you is about to happen.