



Storm Celia brought strong winds to some parts of Europe. The storm also brought **dust** from the Sahara **desert**, which change skies to bright orange in Spain.

Spanish authorities warned people to avoid outdoor sports and wear masks, as the air was full of dust, and it was difficult to **breathe**. The dust also covered streets and cars, but the coming rain quickly washed the dust. People were happy that it rained in Spain, as the weather was dry for many weeks.

Scientists said that the storm was very strong, and it could take the dust as far as the south of the UK. The dust covered ski slopes in France, and it looked like people skied on orange snow. People watched the sky turn orange in Switzerland and southern Germany.

Difficult words: **dust** (small pieces of earth, dirt, and other things which fly in the air), **desert** (an area with a lot of sand where few plants and trees grow), **breathe** (to take air in and out of the lungs).

**Discussion Questions****Topic Talk**

1. Define the following words: *dust*, *desert breathe*
2. Which storm brought strong winds and dust to some parts of Europe?
3. What were the inconveniences people experienced from the storm?
4. Why were the people in Spain happy that it rained?
5. How strong was the storm according to scientists?

Express Your Thoughts

1. Has your country experienced a very strong storm like storm Celia?
2. When was the last strong storm that hit your country? How destructive was it? And to your neighboring countries?
3. Has your country been affected by strong storms in other countries? How serious was the damage?