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DO YOUR FRIENDS OR FAMILY WORRY WHEN YOU HAVE DANGEROUS WEATHER? HOW DO YOU LET THEM KNOW YOU ARE OKAY?

Have Ss read the task and answer the questions. Then elicit their answers in class.

Have Ss skim the text again and do the task. Then check the answers in class.

READ DIANA'S EMAIL.

WHAT WEATHER EVENT IS SHE WRITING ABOUT?

Subject: All OK!

From: Diana To: Sofia

Hi Sofia,

Just writing to let you know that I'm okay.

I've seen snow before, but I've never seen a snowstorm like this! I mean, it snowed for almost four days, non-stop. I think we got about 30 cm of snow here in the city! On top of that, the wind was so strong that you really couldn't be outside in it for more than a few seconds. And the temperature was probably around -12° C the whole time. It was pretty serious!

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Diana

2 FOCUS ON WRITING

WRITING SKILL Organize one idea per paragraph

To make your writing clear, describe only one idea in each paragraph. This will make both your informal writing, such as emails, and formal writing, such as essays, clear.

Read the Writing Skill. Then reread Diana's email. Take notes in the chart.

Opening (greeting, reason for writing)
- Greeting: Hi Susan
- Reason for writing: Just letting you know that I'm okay.

Details about the weather
- Snowed for four days non-stop
- _____
- Strong winds made it difficult to be outside
- _____

How weather affected plans
- Shut down trains and subways
-
- Flight to Santiago cancelled last week
- _____

Closing (ask about friend, sign off)
- Ask about friend: _____
- Sign off: _____

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TALK ABOUT THE WEATHER EVENT IN YOUR EMAIL

Create breakout rooms and have the Ss do the task.

Read the directions aloud. Then have Ss complete the task as homework.



Write an email about the weather event using your ideas from 3A. Remember to use one idea per paragraph for each point you want to make. Use the email in 1B as a model.

Check your
- spelling
- punctuation
- capitalization