

## 5.16 Using 'this' and 'these'

**Topic:** Weather

**Subtopic:** Climate

**Activity type/skill:** Demonstrative pronouns

**Literacy focus:** Reading

**Genre:** Explanations

### Objective

- Recognise the use of demonstrative pronouns to link ideas.

### What you need

- Student worksheet (see next page)

### What to do

1. Look at the example at the top of the student worksheet and discuss how 'this' and 'these' can be used to link ideas to previous information.
2. Have them work in pairs to decide on the correct following sentence and write the number in the circles.
3. Have pairs compare answers.
4. Find more examples of using 'this' and 'these' in other texts.

### Answers:

3. This means that a wind blowing from the north-west is called a north-westerly, a north-west wind or a nor'wester.
5. These winds are called westerlies.
  1. This causes it to rise.
6. Storms like these can cause a lot of damage.
  2. This creates high air pressure.
  4. This movement of air is wind.

## Activity sixteen



### This...

The earth's axis is tilted. **This** causes the seasons.

**This** = The earth's axis is tilted.

In New Zealand summer is in December, January and February.

**These** are the hottest months of the year.

**These** = December, January and February.

1. At the Equator, air is heated.
2. About 3,000 kilometres north and south of the equator cool air sinks to the earth's surface.
3. Winds are named after the direction they blow from.
4. Warm air rises and cold air takes its place.
5. In New Zealand, most winds blow from the west.
6. Typhoons, cyclones and hurricanes are all severe storms.

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