



Comprehension

Fog

Fog is one of the unpleasant features of our winter weather. Transport is handicapped by it, and although motorists put on their lights, they cannot see very far ahead, so we have to be extra careful when crossing roads. The fog gets up our nose, tickles our throat and covers everything with clinging black dirt.

When it is foggy, the atmosphere is cold and still. The sun is completely blotted out by the blanket of fog, making daytime look like night. But what is fog? It is made up of two things—dust and water. If there were no dust, there would be no fog.

There is always dust in the air, although it cannot be seen. In the smoky parts of our cities there is a great deal more dust and dirt than there is in the country. This is why city fog is yellowy-black, but in the country it is generally white. There is a lot of dust floating about in the air all the time. Perhaps you

have seen it in the glare of a bright light or a ray of sunshine.

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