

# An island home



Katie Morag lives  
on the wet and windy  
Isle of Struay in the stories.



How does her house keep out the weather?

Grannie Island lives on  
the Isle of Struay too.



Her house has a steep roof.

It doesn't have an upstairs.

It has stone walls and small windows.








Granma Mainland lives far  
away in a flat in the big city.








# Grannie Island and Granma Mainland have different weather where they live.

## Weather on Struay

Day	Temperature at noon °C	Rainfall mm	Wind speed mph	Weather
Monday	7°C	22mm	15	
Tuesday	4°C	10mm	6	
Wednesday	5°C	12mm	15	
Thursday	8°C	0mm	30	
Friday	9°C	0mm	31	

## Weather on mainland

Day	Temperature at noon °C	Rainfall mm	Wind speed mph	Weather
Monday	14°C	5mm	18	
Tuesday	13°C	0mm	7	
Wednesday	6°C	0mm	3	
Thursday	12°C	1mm	11	
Friday	12°C	4mm	9	



Katie Morag's Isle of Struay  
is like the real Isle of Coll.



# Coll has a wet and windy climate.

**It rains a lot on Coll.  
It is very windy on Coll.**

**Steep roofs help  
the rain drain  
away quickly.**

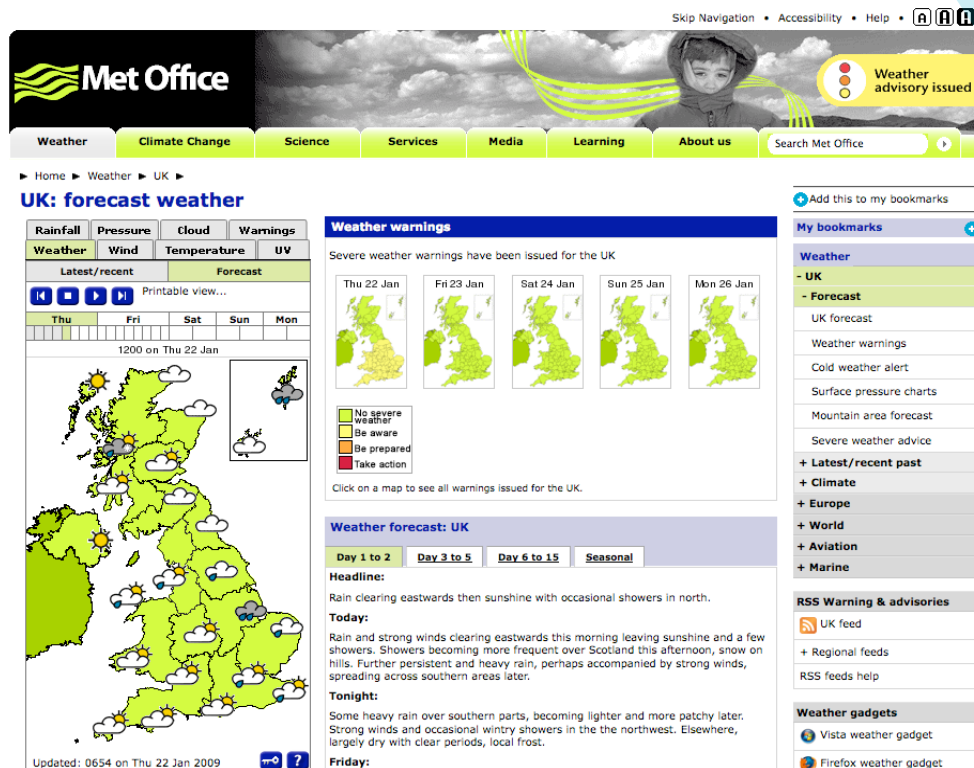
**Stone walls help  
keep out the wind.**



# What is the weather like today where you live?

Have a look at the Met office latest weather

[http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/uk/uk\\_latest\\_weather.html](http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/uk/uk_latest_weather.html)

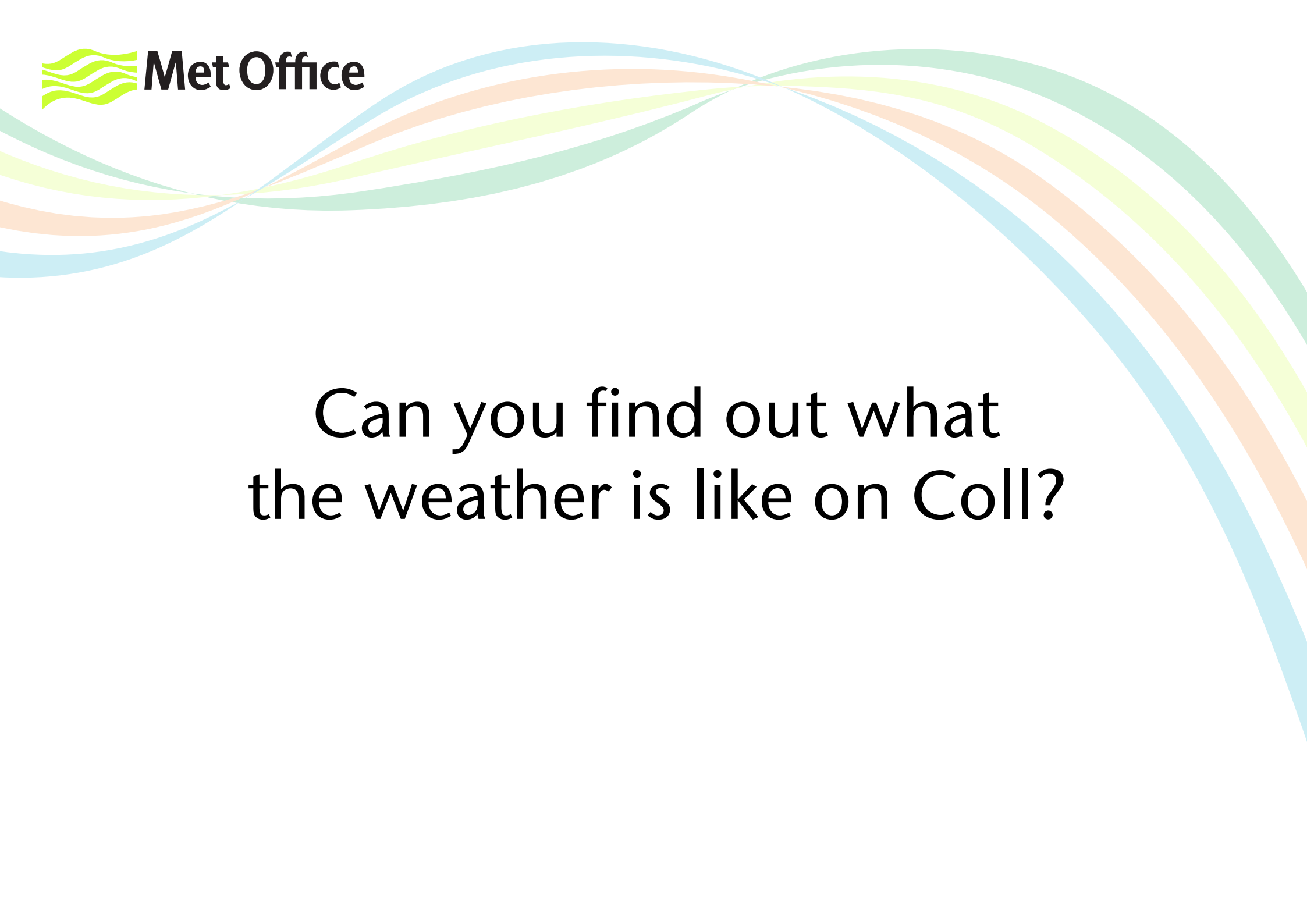


The screenshot shows the Met Office website interface for the UK weather forecast. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Weather, Climate Change, Science, Services, Media, Learning, and About us. A search bar is also present. Below the navigation bar, the page title is "UK: forecast weather". The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Weather warnings:** A section titled "Severe weather warnings have been issued for the UK" with five small maps showing the location of warnings for Thursday 22 Jan, Friday 23 Jan, Saturday 24 Jan, Sunday 25 Jan, and Monday 26 Jan. A legend indicates four levels of warning: No severe weather (green), Be aware (yellow), Be prepared (orange), and Take action (red).
- Weather forecast: UK:** A section with tabs for "Day 1 to 2", "Day 3 to 5", "Day 6 to 15", and "Seasonal". The "Day 1 to 2" tab is selected, showing a "Headline" and "Today" forecast. The "Today" forecast states: "Rain clearing eastwards then sunshine with occasional showers in north. Rain and strong winds clearing eastwards this morning leaving sunshine and a few showers. Showers becoming more frequent over Scotland this afternoon, snow on hills. Further persistent and heavy rain, perhaps accompanied by strong winds, spreading across southern areas later." The "Tonight" forecast states: "Some heavy rain over southern parts, becoming lighter and more patchy later. Strong winds and occasional wintry showers in the the northwest. Elsewhere, largely dry with clear periods, local frost." The "Friday" forecast is also visible.
- Latest/recent:** A section with a table showing the latest/recent weather and a forecast table for the next few days.
- My bookmarks:** A sidebar on the right with a list of bookmarks including "UK", "Forecast", "UK forecast", "Weather warnings", "Cold weather alert", "Surface pressure charts", "Mountain area forecast", "Severe weather advice", "Latest/recent past", "Climate", "Europe", "World", "Aviation", and "Marine".
- RSS Warning & advisories:** A section with a "UK feed" and "Regional feeds".
- Weather gadgets:** A section with "Vista weather gadget" and "Firefox weather gadget".

At the bottom of the page, there is a small map of the UK showing the current weather conditions across different regions. The page is updated as of 06:54 on Thursday 22 Jan 2009.





Can you find out what  
the weather is like on Coll?

What will the children  
at Coll primary school need  
to wear at play time today?

