WEATHER
Lesson Fifty-Five

Objectives: This lesson is concerned with the weather, and you'll learn a number of words and expressions which will let you talk about it.

Activities: Using the expressions and vocabulary relating to weather, construct a dialogue, and act it out with a partner.

Translation of Expressions and Vocabulary:

Weather

How is it today?
The wind is very strong.
The rain will fall.
It's very cold.
Today's stormy.
The strong wind will blow.
Lightning and thunder.

cloudy    hot
cold      calm
rain      drizzle
shower    moon
sun       stars
rainbow   air
wind      clouds
sky       sunrise
sunset    quarter moon
full moon  pitch dark
new moon  dark
TARAAN TE BONG
Reirei Nimabwi Ma Nimaua

Expressions and Vocabulary for Dialogue:

Taraan te bong

E uara te bong aei?
E rangi ni korakora te ang.
E na b'aka te karau.
E rangi ni kam'aitoro.
E buaka te bong aei.
E na kare te ang ae e korakora.
Te iti ao te baa.

nanginang          kabuebue
kamariri           matimtim ni karau
karau              nam'akaina
karau tangi nako  itoi
taai               eea
(Nei) wirara       nang
ang                otintaai
karawa             itibong
bungin taai        rootongitong
tanimainiku        roo

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Additional Activities: Memorize the short additional dialogue. Then write a continuation of it and act it out with a partner.

Translation of Additional Dialogue:

Lila: It's a fine day today eh?

Henry: Maybe it will rain.

Lila: We want rain - Rain hasn't fallen in several weeks.

Henry: ...

Outside Activities: Weather in Kiribati isn't as variable as in most areas of America. Do people still talk about it as much? How frequent are droughts? What special preparations do people make to be able to withstand them? Is there weather forecasting in Kiribati? What can you learn of it?
Additional Dialogue:

Riira: E raoiroi te bong aei ke?
Eneri: Tao e na karau.
Riira: Ti tangira te karau - E tuai mani b'aka te karau inanon tabeua te wiiki.
Eneri: ...