

## Ice Falling from Planes



A pensioner in England was hit by a piece of ice that fell off a plane. It was the size of a grapefruit.

The man was in the garden when the ice fell into his lap. He was badly bruised.

People think that the ice is from flushing the toilet, but it isn't. The toilets aren't emptied until the plane is on the ground.

Sometimes water leaks from the toilet, but the ice is usually a leak from the galley pipes. It seeps out and freezes quickly.

When the plane flies at a high altitude, the air outside is very cold and this makes the water freeze. The ice breaks off and falls to earth. It usually melts before it reaches the ground.

In 40 years, only 5 cases of someone being hit have been reported but there have been lots of reports of cars and buildings being damaged.

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*True or false? Write T or F.*

1) A grapefruit fell from the sky. \_\_\_\_\_

2) The man was hurt by the ice. \_\_\_\_\_

3) The ice came from the man's garden. \_\_\_\_\_

4) Very cold air makes water freeze. \_\_\_\_\_

*Find and circle the conjunctions.*

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*Paragraphs*

How many paragraphs are there? \_\_\_\_\_

How many sentences in paragraph 1? \_\_\_\_\_

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## *Meaning Match*

altitude	frozen water
temperature	how hot or cold something is
galley	hurt by hitting
ice	how high something is
bruised	a kitchen

## *Missing words* (Use the words from Meaning Match)

1. He \_\_\_\_\_ his knee when he fell over.
2. The cook on a ship works in the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. People climbing very high mountains sometimes get \_\_\_\_\_ sickness.
4. It is very hot today. The \_\_\_\_\_ is over 30 degrees.
5. She cooled her drink with \_\_\_\_\_ cubes.

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*Scan for the correct spelling:*

## bruised

bursied      bruised      busired      druised

## galley

gallery      garelly      galley      gralley

## altitude

attitude      altitude      altitude      altitude

## temperature

tempreture      temparture      temperature

X	P	L	A	N	E	B
F	L	I	E	S	G	H
B	R	U	I	S	E	D
A	S	B	C	K	L	M
L	V	M	E	L	T	W
A	G	A	L	L	E	Y
P	F	R	O	Z	E	N

BRUISED	GALLEY
MELT	ICE
PLANE	LAP
FLIES	FROZEN