

Dear El Nino

An activity of "Southeast Asia gets set for heat and haze..."

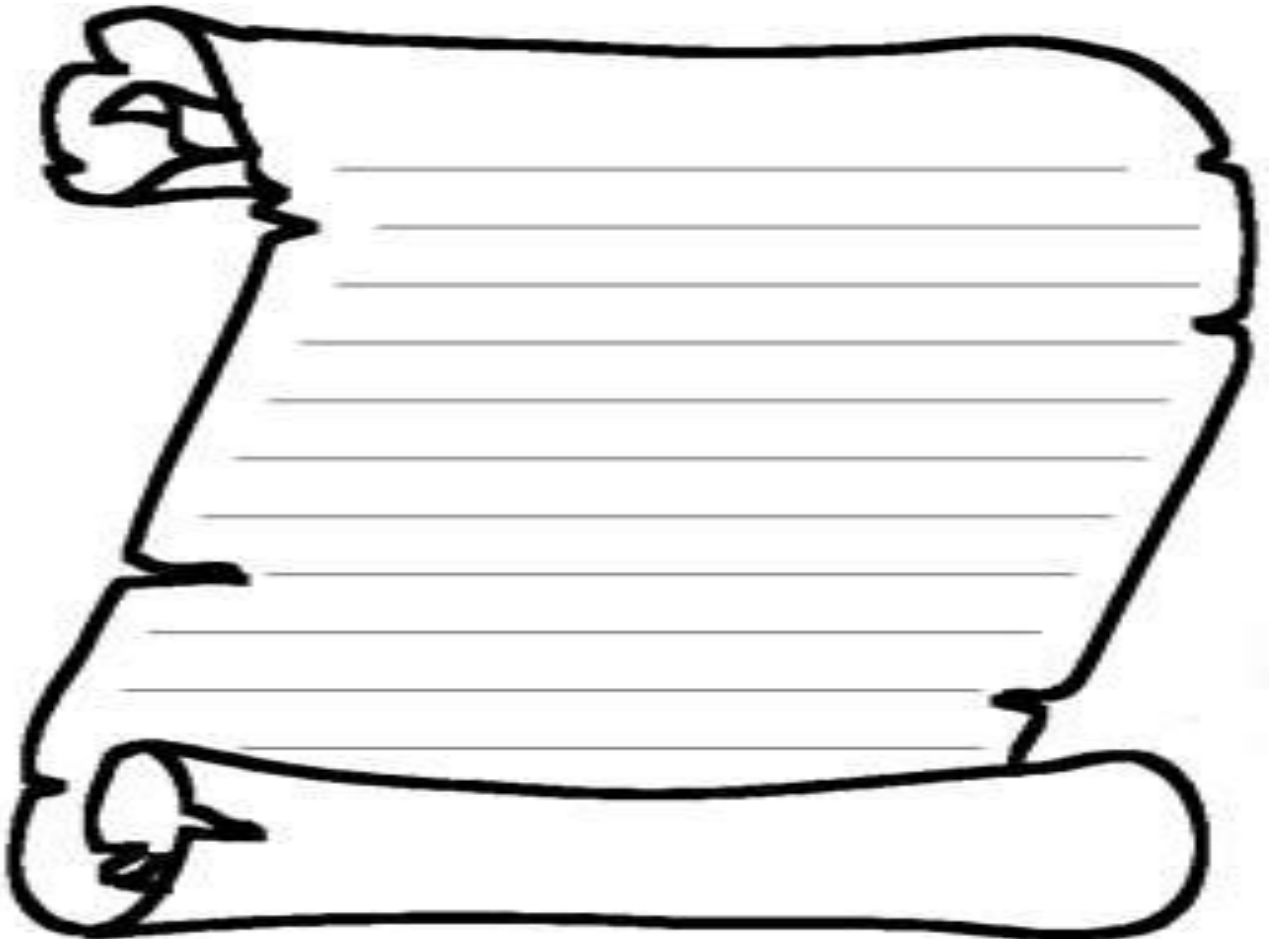
In the June issue of *What's Up*, there are several articles about the climate. One of them, our front-page story, tells us about El Nino. Read "**Southeast Asia gets set for heat and haze brought by climate change and El Nino**" (pages 1 & 28). You may have heard of El Nino. Stretch your imagination — pretend that you can speak to El Nino! What would you say?

1. Browse through this page at the *National Geographic* website.

El Niño (National Geographic Education, 2022)

➤ <https://education.nationalgeographic.org/resource/el-nino/>

2. Picture yourself standing on a beach, looking out at the sky and sea. The elements of nature are already there, gradually coming together to form the phenomenon we call El Nino. In this scroll ↓, jot down (in point form) what you would like to say to El Nino. Do you have a request? Perhaps some advice? What are your wishes for El Nino's behaviour this year.

A large, hand-drawn scroll with horizontal lines for writing. The scroll is unrolled and has a decorative, slightly wavy border. It is intended for students to write their letter to El Niño on.

3. Share your letter by reading it to your class.

Articulating our thoughts — putting them into words — helps us to think clearly and become more aware of our feelings about something. Try this healthy habit with any other topic as well.