CultureTalk Iran Video Transcripts: <u>http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu</u> Talking About the Weather

Persian transcript:

مينا: سلام مامان. مادر: سلام. حالت خوب است؟ مينا: خوبم. مرسى. چه خبر؟ مادر: سلامتى. مادر: هوا، همينطور كه ميبينى برف زيادى روى زمين نشسته است ولى الان در حال حاظر در حال باريدن است. بيشتر برف ها هم كه روى پياده رو ها و توى خيابان ها همه شان در حال آب شدن هستند و هوا خيلى گرم و خوب است. ولى اينجا آنقدر برف زياد است كه هنوز آب نشدند ولى به احتمال زياد، اگر اين باران همين جورى ادامه پيدا بكند، برف ها را هم آب مى كند. ادامه پيدا بكند، برف ها را از مستان گذشته است. مى بينيد كه درختان... آن طرف برگهايشان را از دست دادند... هوا خوب است. مطبوع است الان. يعنى همه، فكر مى كنم الان راضى باشند. الان وقتش اين است كه... فقط به خاطر خوب است. مطبوع است الان. يعنى همه، فكر مى كنم الان راضى باشند. الان وقتش اين است كه... فقط به خاطر

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English translation:

Mina: Hello Mom!

Mother: Hello. How are you?

Mina: I'm well. Thanks. What's the news?

Mother: Health¹.

Mina: How is the weather [in New England]?

Mother: The weather, as you can see—there is a lot of snow sitting on the ground, but at this moment, it is rainy. Most of the snow, even, that was on the sidewalks and in the streets, it is all melting and the weather is very nice and warm. But there is such a large amount of snow that it hasn't [yet] become water; but most likely, if this rain continues like this, it will melt the snow too. Right now, a few days into winter. You can see that the trees... on that side have lost their leaves... the weather is nice. Right now it is pleasant. Meaning, I think everyone is satisfied. Right now is the time that... the only [problem is that] because there is no sunlight, it is a little depressing.

¹ this is a common reply among Iranians

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