

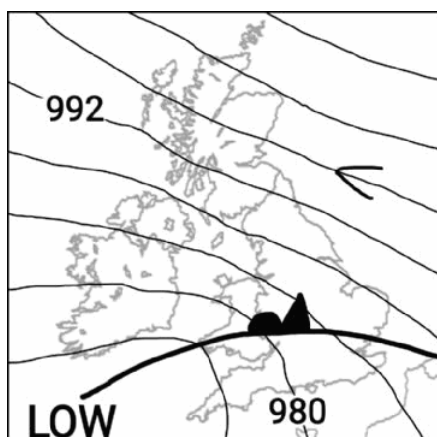
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

The entire Yorkshire Dales National Park and North Pennines AONB, including the Three Peaks and Cross Fell, plus Howgills, also south to Forest of Bowland.



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General Summary for Thursday, 5 February, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 5 February, 2026

Gale-force easterly winds, up to storm-force over the tops of the Highlands with severe wind chill; powerful gusts downslope into the glens. Further snowfalls over E & SE Highlands, sleet or rain lower down; low cloud and whiteout over hills. England and Wales: Rain and upland snow focused east Wales and into Pennines.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Easterly gales. Patchy rain/snow, mostly northern and eastern hills.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 5 February, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 40 to 55mph, very gusty around high tops and downslope to west.
Effect of wind on you?	Difficult mobility across higher terrain, gusts could knock you over on some slopes. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Snow mostly north and eastern hills Raining most or all day; snow increasingly above 300m, but may snow may fall lower later. Patchy small amounts further west.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive higher tops Banks of cloud often covering most higher terrain above 500-600m, most persistent east and northern areas. Some breaks occasionally Ingleborough and Howgills.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly cloudy and hazy, some brighter moments toward west, but little if any sun.
How Cold? (at 700m)	-1 or -2C, tending to drop slightly from east during day. Wind chill feeling like -12 to -15C.
And in the valleys	3 or 4C, little change night into day.

	Friday 6 February	Saturday 7 February
How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 40 to 55mph, strongest over N Pennines, but powerful gusts widely around high tops and downslope to west.	Easterly veering into south-east, 15 to 25mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Challenging conditions, difficult mobility over higher tops, buffeting gusts knocking you off balance. Severe wind chill.	Mostly small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Snow may persist over hills Frequent or persistent snow over the hills, particularly eastern areas; sleet or rain below 200-300m.	Patches of light rain or flurries on tops. May well be often dry, if not in the west completely dry. However, scope for patches of light rain here and there, with flurries over the tops in morning.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive across higher areas Covering the hills widely, above 500m or possibly lower toward eastern slopes. Some higher bases westwards, local breaks may form toward Ingleborough.	Extensive on the fells Be prepared for extensive cloud to shroud the fells. Whilst bases will vary considerably, a general base will be around 500-700m. Any breaks limited to western Dales.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull, murky in east. Whiteout over higher fells in snow and cloud, better visibility lower down in west.	No sun expected. Rather murky with poor visibility in any patchy precipitation.
How Cold? (at 700m)	0 to -2C, coldest northeast Pennines. Wind chill feeling like -13 to -17C.	-1C lifting to plus 2C.
And in the valleys	1 or 2C.	3 to 5C

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 6 February, 2026

Cold east or southeasterly winds prevail, but less cold widely over the weekend as freezing level lifts somewhat from the south, rising just above freezing point in Scotland toward 1000m. Colder air then likely returns from east next week. Further snowfalls mostly over eastern hills in Scotland, occasionally hills in England & Wales, mixed with rain here. Indications of less precipitation and lower wind speeds for periods during next week. Highest cloud breaks west & northwest Scotland, where terrain will be very dry toward west coast.

Forecast issued at 7:58 on Thursday, 5 February, 2026

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