About the Author

Originally hired as a researcher by Environment and Climate Change Canada, David Phillips soon became their "go-to" guy when the media asked for weather explanations. He discussed weather and climate issues on a national scale, with the good humour and good science Canadians have come to love and respect.

During his 50 years in the business, David has collected more than 35,000 stories and countless weather facts and fancies. They form the basis for The Canadian Weather Trivia Calendar, one of the best and most entertaining weather information sources available to Canadians. David is also the author of several best-selling books on weather. During the year, he gives hundreds of media interviews and dozens of speeches in his trademark entertaining style, combining weird and wonderful facts with accurate information about the science and service of weather and climate

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