A Weather Forecast App using the OpenWeatherMap API -how it aligns with your syllabus:

- UNIT I: Spring Boot Basics & Project Structure
 - Setting up project using Maven or Gradle
 - Creating a basic Spring Boot application
 - Understanding the @SpringBootApplication annotation
 - Managing configuration with application.properties
- Covered when students initialize the Spring Boot project and configure API keys and endpoints.

✓ UNIT II: RESTful Services

- Creating REST Controllers to fetch and display weather data
- Using annotations like @RestController, @GetMapping, @RequestParam
- Consuming REST APIs using RestTemplate or WebClient
- Students consume OpenWeatherMap REST API, parse responses, and serve data via their own API endpoints.
- ✓ UNIT III: Data Persistence & Security
 - Save search history or user preferences using Spring Data JPA
 - Use an embedded database like H2 or connect to MySQL/PostgreSQL
 - Implement basic **Spring Security** (e.g., user login to store preferences securely)
- Students learn CRUD operations, data relationships, and simple login functionality.
- **✓** UNIT IV: Microservices & WebFlux
 - Optional: Break the app into microservices (one for weather, another for user settings)
 - Use WebClient for reactive API calls
 - Implement **Spring Boot testing** with @WebMvcTest and @DataJpaTest
- Stretch goal: add reactive programming with WebFlux and basic actuator endpoints.
- UNIT V: Reactive Persistence (Optional/Advanced)
 - Save reactive data using MongoDB or Cassandra if going for a fully reactive version
 - Use **Spring Data MongoDB** to store weather logs

☑ This can be offered as an optional enhancement for advanced students.

Course Outcomes (COs) Mapping

- **CO1**: Understanding Spring Boot → Setting up app and dependencies
- **CO2**: Developing RESTful services → *Fetching/displaying weather data*
- **CO3**: JPA and Security → *User preferences, authentication*
- **CO4**: Reactive APIs → *Use WebClient, test reactive components*
- **CO5**: Reactive persistence → Optional if MongoDB is used

Enhancement Ideas

- Add **JWT authentication** for advanced security.
- Create a dashboard UI using Thymeleaf or React (optional).
- Implement **caching** using Spring Cache for repeated weather queries.
- Add unit & integration tests for controllers and services.