



WEATHER UNIT CHECKLIST & KEY TERMS

1. WHAT IS AIR MADE OF?

- Weather
- Meteorologist
- Atmosphere
- Nitrogen
- Oxygen
- Water Vapor
- Carbon dioxide
- Greenhouse Effect

2. HOW ARE THE LAYERS OF THE ATMOSPHERE ARRANGED?

- Temperature
- Altitude

3. HOW DO THE LAYERS OF THE ATMOSPHERE COMPARE?

- Troposphere
- Stratosphere
- Mesosphere
- Thermosphere
 - Ionosphere
- Exosphere

4. WHAT HAPPENS TO THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE AS THE ALTITUDE INCREASES?

- Air Pressure
 - High Pressure
 - Low Pressure
- Air Density
- Mass

5. HOW DOES THE WATER CYCLE WORK WITH ATMOSPHERIC CONDITIONS TO CREATE WEATHER?

- Water Cycle (Hydrologic Cycle)
- Condensation
- Precipitation
 - Rain
 - Snow
 - Sleet
 - Freezing Rain
 - Hail
- Evaporation
- Transpiration
- Surface Runoff
- Humidity
- Dew Point

6. HOW DOES AIR MASS MOVEMENT AFFECT THE WEATHER?

- Air Mass
 - Continental Polar
 - Maritime Polar
 - Continental Tropical
 - Maritime Tropical

- Front
 - Cold Front
 - Warm Front
 - Stationary Front
 - Occluded Front

- Pressure Systems
 - High Pressure
 - Low Pressure

7. HOW CAN YOU PREDICT THE WEATHER USING MAPS, SATELLITES, RADARS, AND OTHER WEATHER INSTRUMENTS?

- Weather Station Model
- Satellites
- Doppler Radar
- Thermometer
- Barometer
- Anemometer
- Psychrometer
- Wind Vane
- Rain Gauge

8. HOW CAN CLOUDS HELP YOU PREDICT THE WEATHER?

- Classified based on shape and altitude
- Stratus
- Cumulus
- Cirrus
- Cumulonimbus
- Strato-
- Alto-
- Cirro-

9. WHAT CAUSES WIND AND HOW DOES IT AFFECT OUR WEATHER?

- Wind
- Coriolis Effect
- Convection Currents
- Global Winds
 - Doldrums
 - Trade Winds
 - Horse Latitudes
 - Prevailing Westerlies
 - Polar Easterlies
- Local winds
 - Sea Breeze
 - Land Breeze

- Jet Streams

10. WHAT ARE SOME WAYS, BOTH NATURALLY AND BY HUMANS, POLLUTION CAN GET INTO OUR AIR?

- Pollution
- Particulate Matter
- Photochemical Smog
- Acid Rain
- Ozone (Ozone Layer)
- Chlorofluorocarbons (CFC)
- Vehicle emissions

11. HOW CAN HUMANS IMPROVE AIR QUALITY?

- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Global Climate Change

12. IDENTIFY WEATHER CONDITIONS NECESSARY FOR THE FORMATION OF SEVERE WEATHER (THUNDERSTORMS, TORNADOES, HURRICANES, AND BLIZZARDS).

- Thunderstorm
- Tornadoes
- Hurricanes
- Storm Surge
- Blizzards