

# Effect of Atmosphere

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4. Define weather.

5. Describe air mass.



# Hydrosphere

Sea  
Ocean

[water]



# Atmosphere



air  
clouds



# Geosphere

rocks  
Soil



# Biosphere

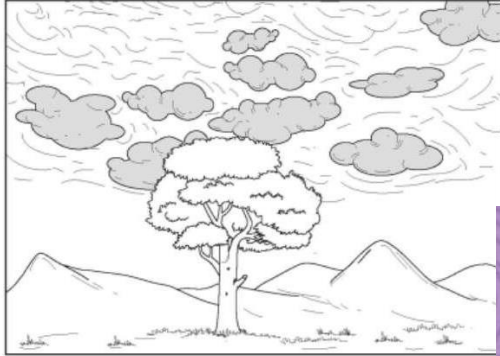




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Where Do Thunderclouds  
Come From?



Outcomes

Three friends noticed thunderclouds forming. It looked like a thunderstorm might be coming. They wondered where the thunderclouds came from. They each had a different idea:

Julie: *I think strong winds blew them here from another state.*

Doug: *I think they sank down from heavy clouds high up in the sky.*

Carlos: *I think they formed from warm air rising up into the sky.*

Who do you think has the best idea?

Explain your thinking.

You will revisit the Page Keeley Science Probe later in the lesson.

Vocabulary



Explanation

Exit card

# Vocabulary



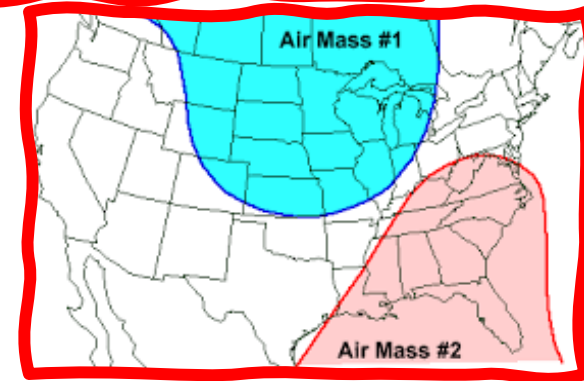
Starter

## Air mass

a large volume of **air**  
in the **atmosphere**  
that is mostly uniform  
in **temperature** and  
**moisture**.

Outcomes

Vocabulary



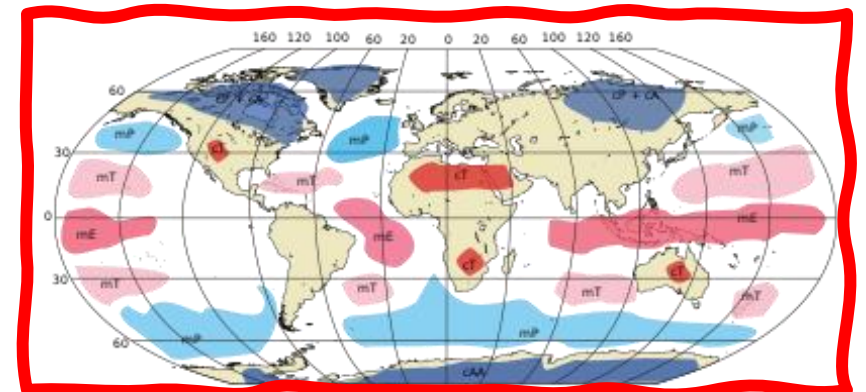
Explanation



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Outcome!

Explore air-masses types  
Explore air- masses  
characteristics



# Warm and Cold air masses

## INQUIRY ACTIVITY

### Hands On

### Warm and Cold Air Masses

Think about the sandstorm you just saw. The way the atmosphere moves can help predict the weather. Air is a fluid, just like water is a fluid. Using water of different temperatures, you will investigate how air masses move.

**Make a Prediction** What happens when air masses of different temperatures meet?

they will not mix because they have different density.

### Carry Out an Investigation

1. Wrap the piece of cardboard in aluminum foil. Place the cardboard in the center of the plastic bin so it forms a wall.
2. Add three drops of red food coloring into the measuring cup of warm water.
3. Add three drops of blue food coloring into the measuring cup of cold water.
4. Hold the cardboard tightly against the bottom of the bin as you pour the warm water into one side of the wall and the cold water into the other side of the wall.
5. **Record Data** Observe the water from the side as you remove the wall. Record or draw your observations in the box at the top of the next page.
6. Repeat the investigation with water of the same temperature, and only one side with food coloring. Record your observations.

### Materials

- piece of cardboard
- aluminum foil
- clear plastic bin
- 2 measuring cups
- 4 cups of warm water
- 4 cups of cold water
- red food coloring
- blue food coloring

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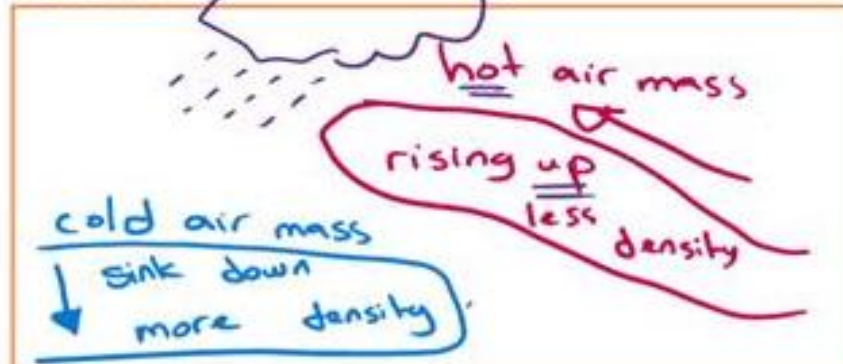


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### Record Data



### Communicate Information

7. Think about the water cycle. Could a cold air mass meeting a warm air mass cause precipitation? Explain.

yes, warm air mass. rising up.  
 ① clouds form  
 ② precipitation (rain)



Explain how the system model in the investigation models an interaction of the atmosphere and hydrosphere.

yes, hydrosphere (clouds) on the Atmosphere (air).

### Talk About It

Did your results support your prediction? How does tracking air masses help predict the weather?



Outcome!

Explore air-masses types  
 Explore air-masses characteristics



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Air  
mass

Outcomes

a large  
volume  
of **air**

Vocabulary



Explanation

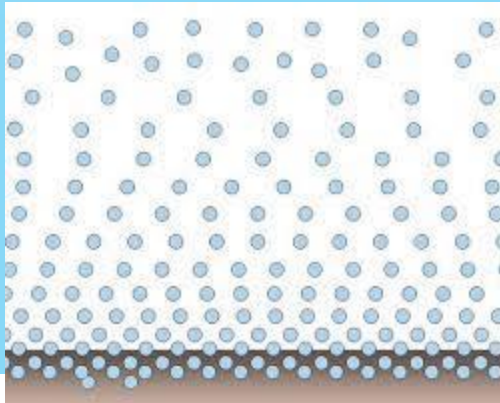
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Outcome!

- Identify air mass
- Identify front
- Differentiate between fronts types

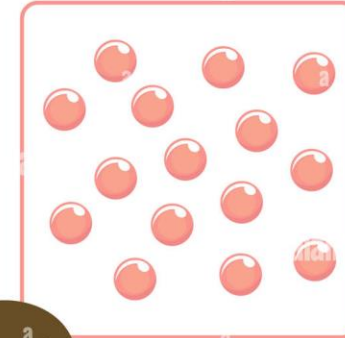


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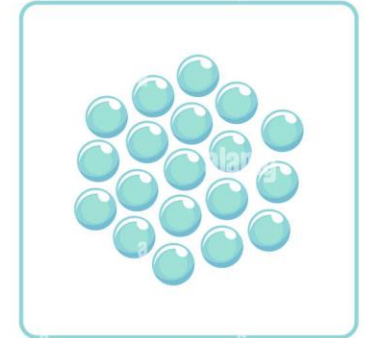


gas  
( Particles )

Outcomes



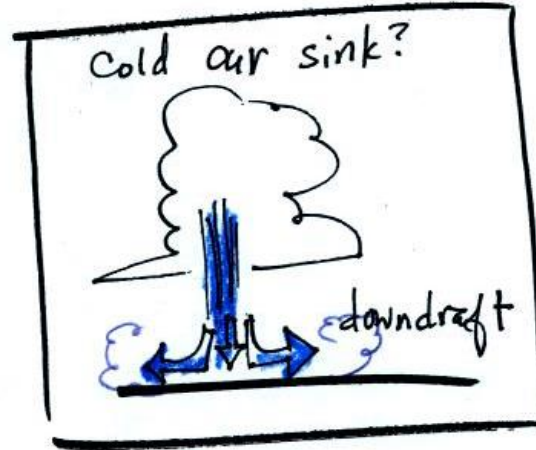
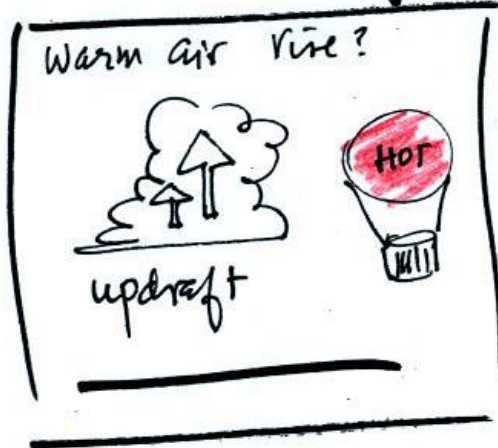
HOT AIR



COLD AIR

Vocabulary

Why does



Hot air particles is far-----,  
so density is low-----  
cold air particles is close-----,  
so density is high-----

Explanation

Exit card

density is low-----  
**Hot** air will **Rise**-----

density is **High**-----  
**cold** air will **Sink**-----

**Outcome!**  
Explore air-masses types  
Explore air- masses  
characteristics

**Select the correct answer.**

Which statement about the atmosphere is **NOT true**?

Earth's atmosphere has different layers.

Earth's gravity gives air in the atmosphere weight.

The atmosphere is the layer of gases around Earth.

Air particles in the atmosphere have **do not** have mass.

What type of air mass would **most likely** form over the area as shown in the image?



**desert regions**

cold, moist air mass

cold, humid air mass

hot, dry air mass

hot, moist air mass

When the atmosphere is humid, there is \_\_\_\_\_ in the air.

no gases

a small amount of water

a high amount of water

no water

# Vocabulary



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## Weather

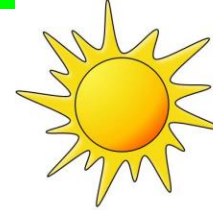
the condition of  
the atmosphere at  
a given place and  
time.

Outcomes

Vocabulary

Explanation

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Sunny



Cloudy



Stormy



Snowy

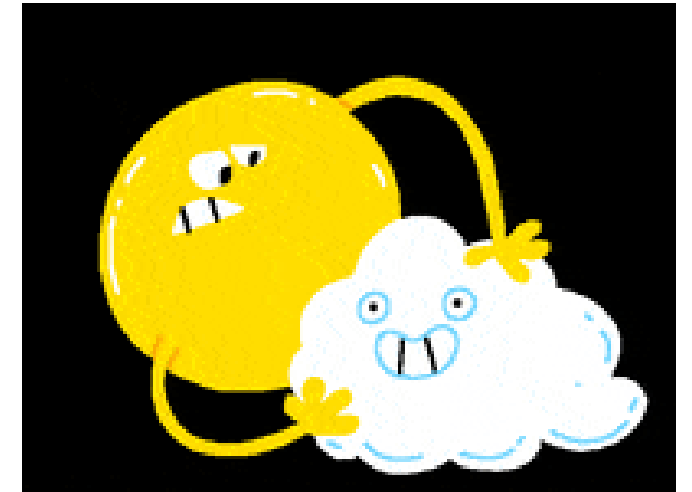


Rainy



Windy

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which of the following describes what is happening in the atmosphere at a certain place and time.

Weather

Fronts

Climate

Air masses

# Earth's Atmosphere



## VOCABULARY

Look for these words as you read:

air mass

climate

weather

## Earth's Atmosphere

Recall what you explored about air masses. The temperature of the atmosphere can determine activity within it. Even though air in Earth's atmosphere looks empty, it contains matter. The air particles in the atmosphere have mass and weight. There are different layers in Earth's atmosphere, which vary in temperature.

**Weather** is the condition of the atmosphere at a given place and time. Weather can vary depending on the time of day, season, or location. Weather can involve different forms of precipitation. When water vapor in clouds cools, it condenses and falls to the ground as rain, hail, sleet, or snow.

A shelf cloud like this one is a good sign that a strong line of storms will be moving through the area.



## Outcome!

- Identify weather
- Identify front
- Differentiate between fronts types

# Earth's Atmosphere



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## Weather

the condition of the atmosphere at a given place and time.

Outcomes

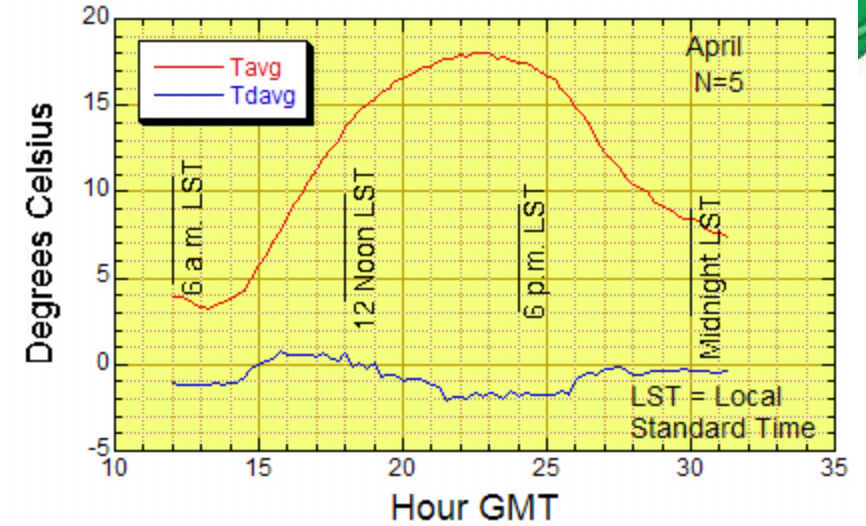
Vocabulary



Explanation

Weather is changing from day to another.

Exit card



Weather is changing during the same day

ther  
nt  
Differences between  
fronts types

Look at the image describing the weather in Abu Dhabi on a certain day.  
Which statement about the weather is **TRUE**?

Abu Dhabi



mostly sunny  
22°C  
wind 13 km/h  
humidity 49%  
precipitation 0%

There will be no sunshine.

There will be no rain.

There will be no humidity.

There will be no wind.

# Earth's Atmosphere



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Weather

Outcomes

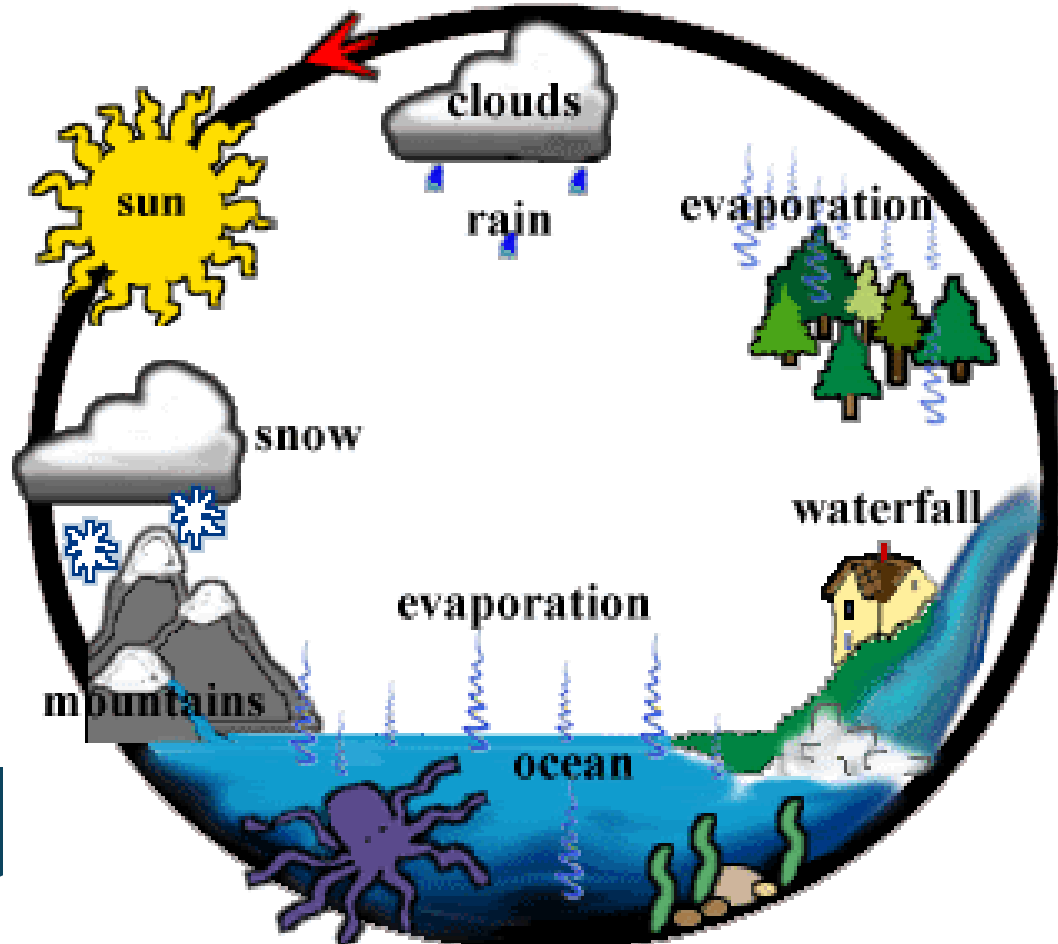
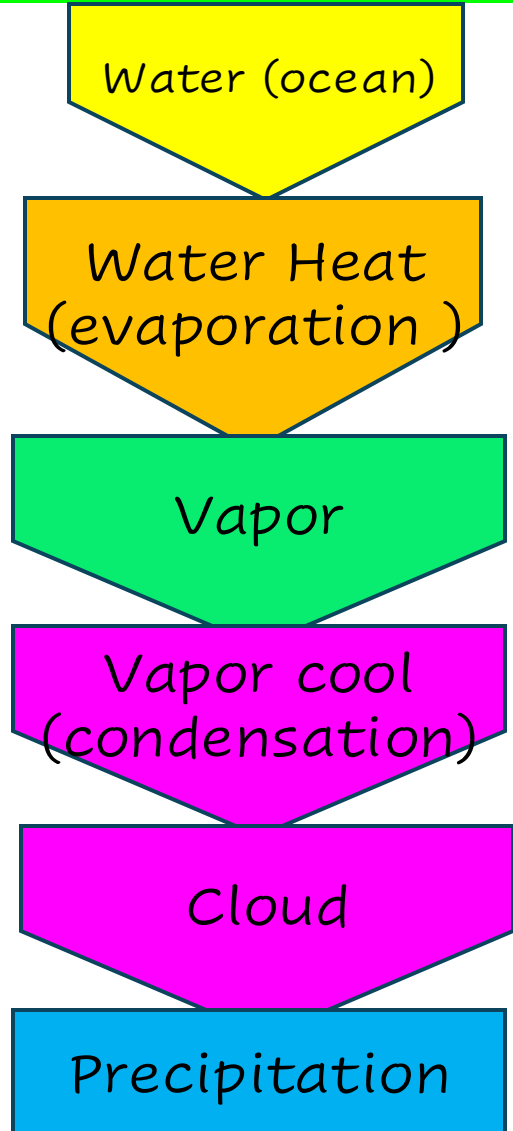
Precipitation

Vocabulary

How precipitation form?!

Explanation

Exit card



Outcome!

- Identify weather
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# Earth's Atmosphere



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Water (ocean)



## Precipitation

Water Heat (evaporation)

Outcomes

Vapor

Rain



Hail

Vocabulary

Vapor cool (condensation)



Sleet

Explanation

Cloud



Snow

Precipitation

Exit card

Outcome!

- Identify weather
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Which of the following are forms of precipitation?

**Select 3 choice(s)**

soil

snow

temperature

cold front

warm front

sleet

hail

wind



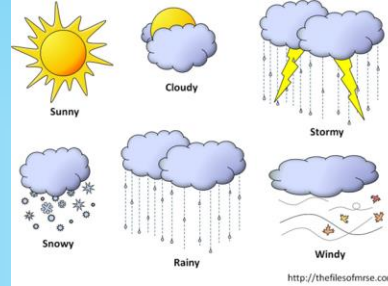
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(3) Vapor

( ):the condition of the -----

Outcomes

(5) Cloud



at a given place and -----.

Vocabulary

(1) Water  
(ocean)

Ice Pellets

(4) Vapor cool  
(condensation)

**Types of Precipitation**  
Match each type of precipitation to its name by drawing a circle around the correct word.

rain	snow
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> sleet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> rain
hail	hail
hail	sleet
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> snow
snow	rain

Water

Explanation

(2) Water Heat  
(evaporation)

Freezing  
rain

Ice

Exit card

(6)  
Precipitation

Outcome!

Explore air-masses types  
Explore air- masses  
characteristics

**Select the correct answer.**

Which of the following is the **BEST** description of an air mass?



a large body of air with mostly the same temperature and moisture throughout



what is happening in the atmosphere at a given place and time



it is the average weather patterns in an area over time



a large body of air with different temperature and moisture throughout

An **air mass** forms over land in the United Arab Emirates (UAE).

Which of the following most likely describes this air mass?

The air mass is cool and moist.

The air mass is cold and dry.

The air mass is hot and moist.

The air mass is hot and dry.



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Outcomes

Vocabulary

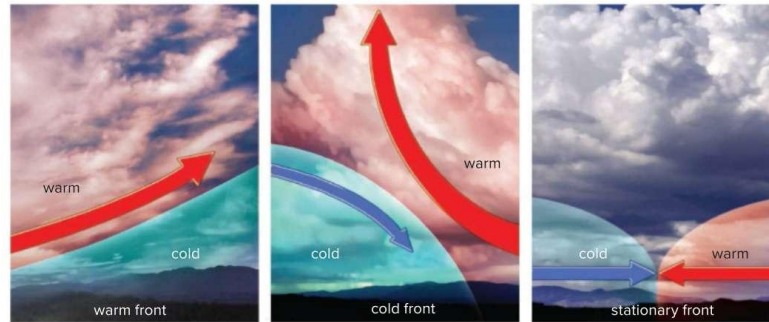
Explanation

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The air mass that is passing over an area affects the weather in that area. An **air mass** is a large region of air that has a similar temperature and humidity. Depending on where they form, air masses can be cool, warm, dry, or humid.

When one air mass meets a different air mass, the meeting place is called a front. A front is the boundary between two air masses that have different temperatures. Along fronts, weather can change rapidly. Look at the diagram below to see the difference between three different types of fronts: warm fronts, cold fronts, and stationary fronts.

### Different Fronts



**Read a Diagram** The arrows in the diagram indicate temperature as well as the direction of movement. Red arrows indicate warm air movements. Blue arrows indicate cold air movements.

**Warm Fronts** A warm front forms when a warm air mass pushes into a cold air mass. The warm air goes up and over the cold air mass. It often brings light, steady rain.

**Cold Fronts** A cold front forms when a cold air mass pushes under a warm air mass, forcing the warm air quickly upward. It often brings stormy weather.

**Stationary Fronts** Sometimes rainy weather lasts for days. This is caused by a stationary front, which is a boundary between air masses that does not move.



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Outcome!

- Identify air mass
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- Differentiate between fronts types



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Air  
mass

Outcomes

a large  
volume  
of air

Vocabulary



Explanation

Exit card

Outcome!

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# Vocabulary



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Outcomes

## Air front

Vocabulary

The boundary  
between tow air  
masses



Outcome!

- Identify air mass
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Explanation

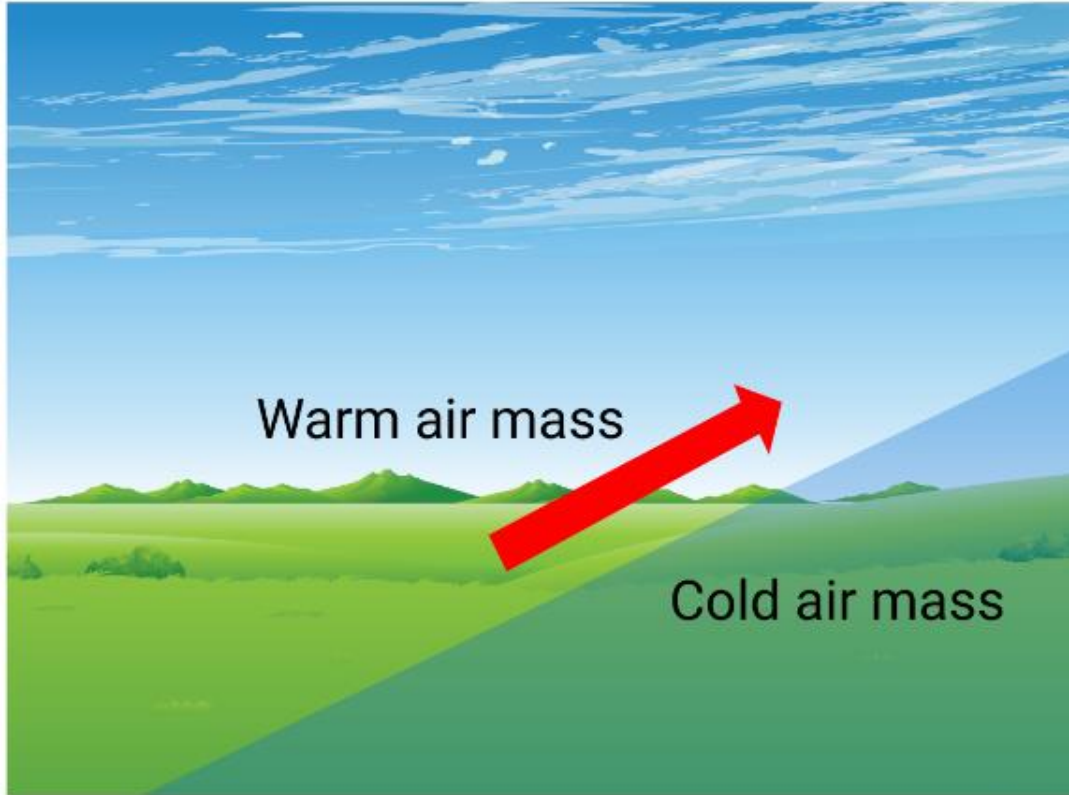
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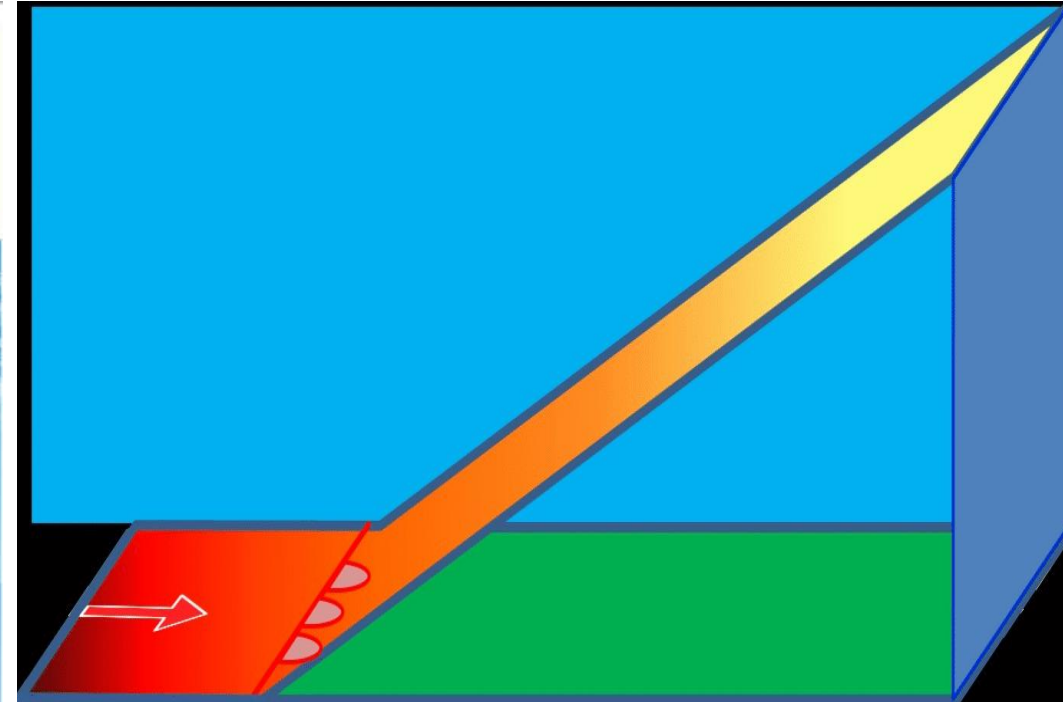


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Warm fronts form when a warm air mass moves up and over a cold air mass.



Warm front



Outcomes

Vocabulary

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( Warm ) front

Warm air - Pushed into / moves over - cold air mass

Light, steady Rain

Outcome!

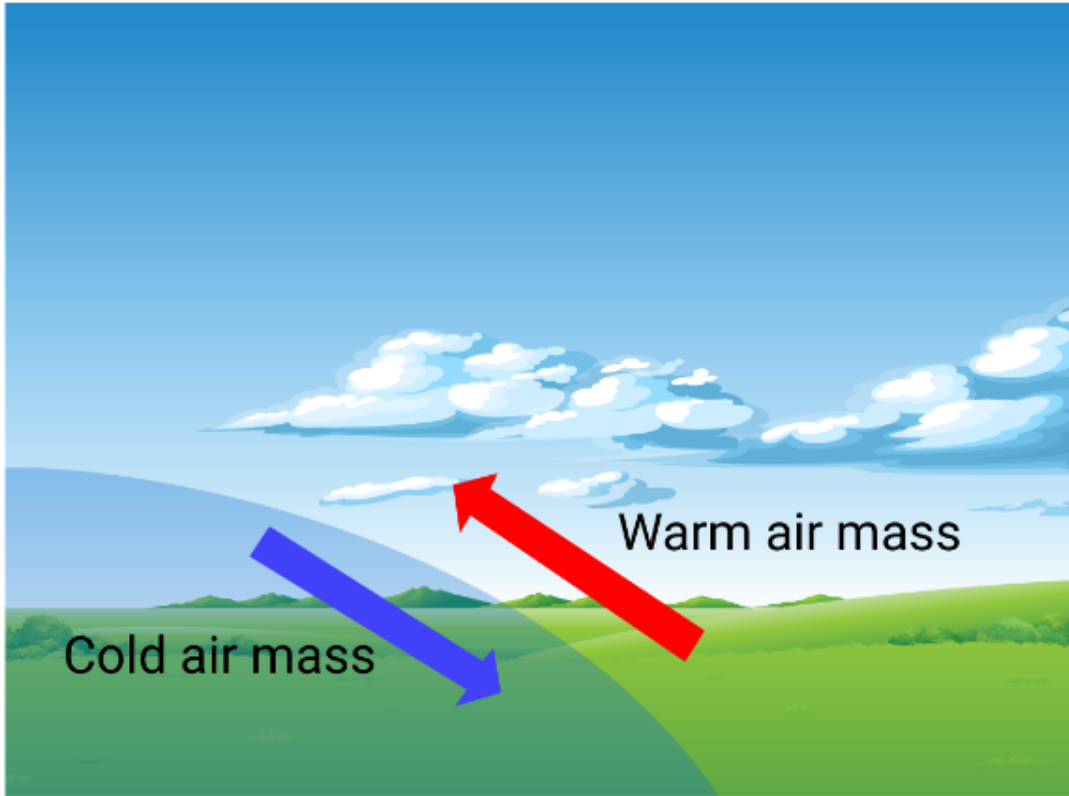
- Identify air mass
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# Earth's Atmosphere



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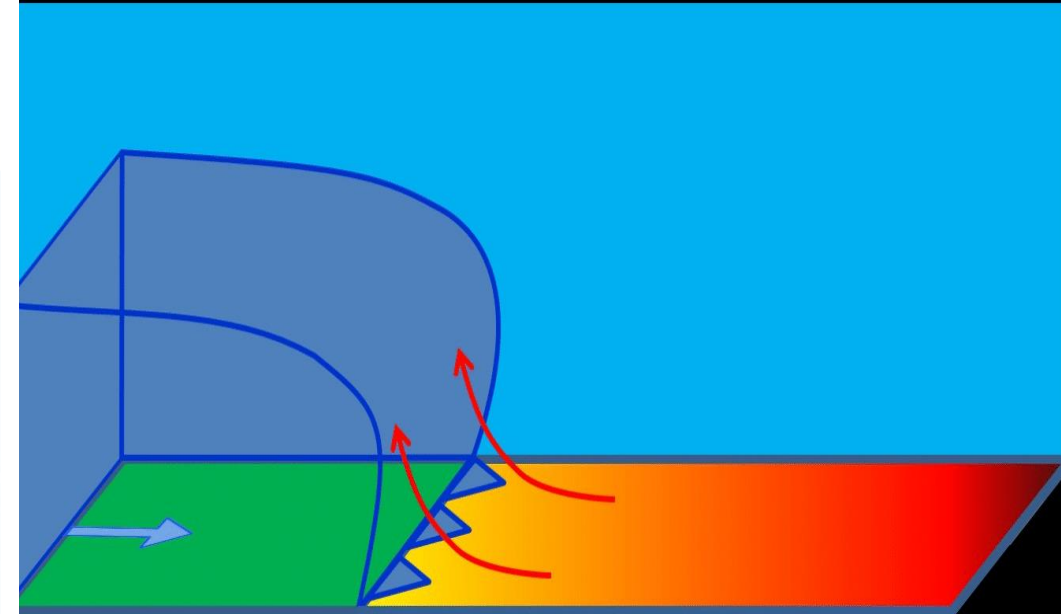
**Cold fronts** form when a cold air mass moves under a warm air mass pushing the warm air up quickly.



Cold air mass

Warm air mass

**Cold front**



( **Cold** ) front

( **Cold** ) air -- **Pushed under** warm air mass

--- **Stormy** -weather

**Outcome!**

- Identify air mass
- Identify front
- Differentiate between fronts types

Outcomes

Vocabulary

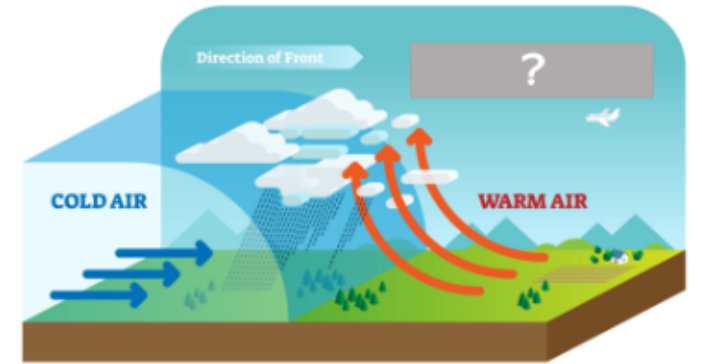
Explanation

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**Select the correct answer.**

What type of front is forming in the image?



warm front

rain front

cold front

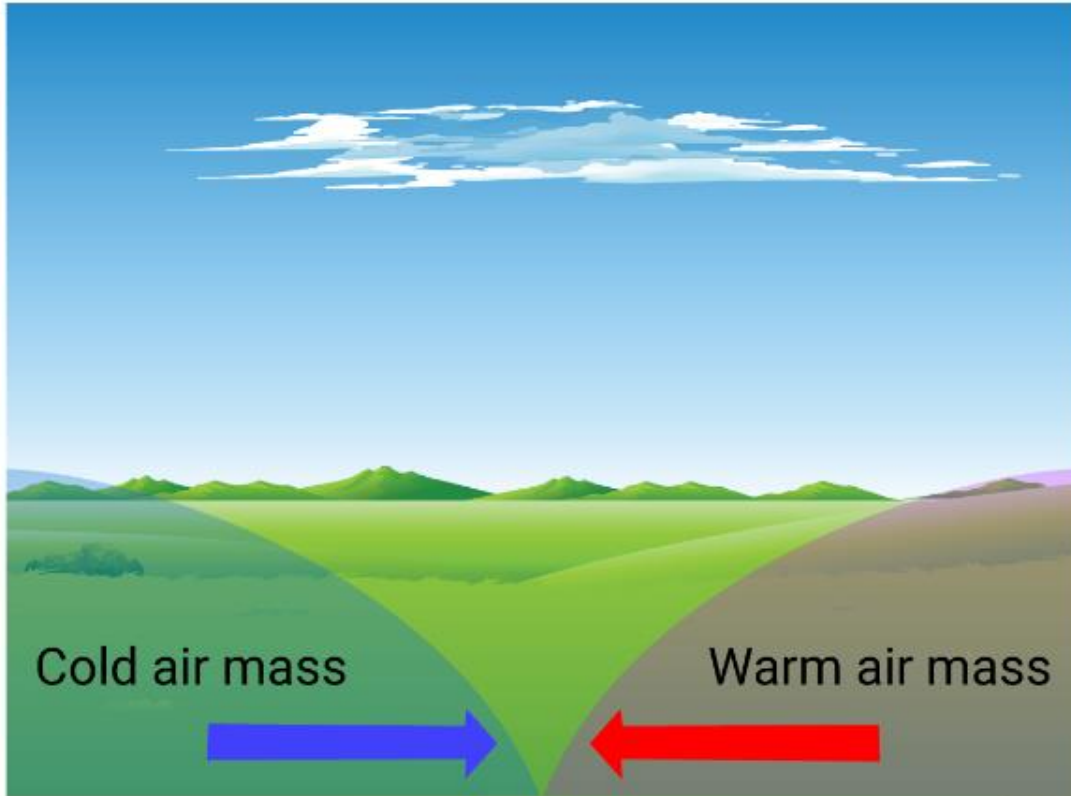
stationary front

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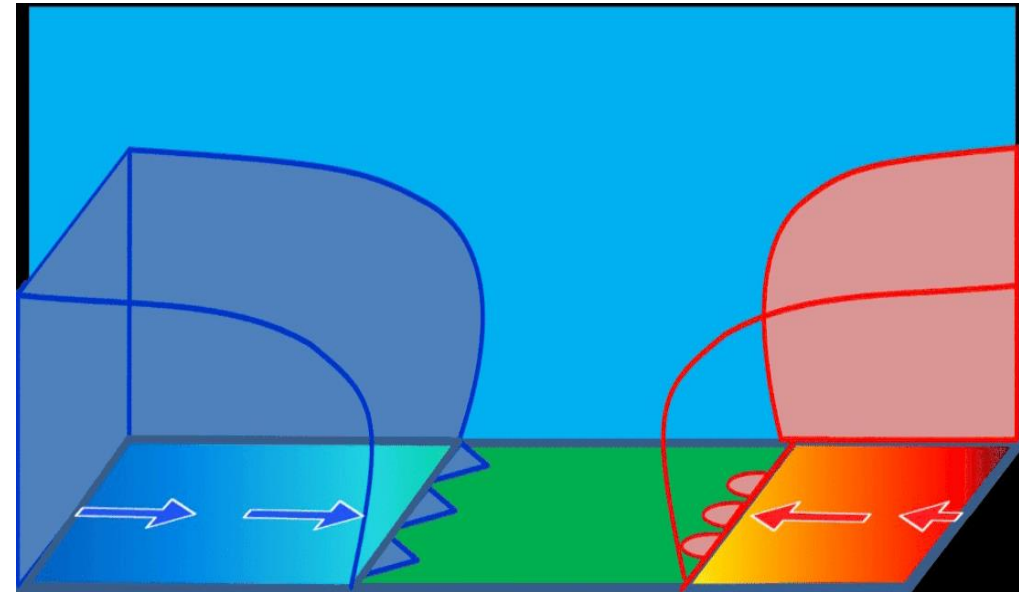


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**Stationary fronts** form when two air masses meet and do not move.



**Stationary front**



Outcomes

Vocabulary

Explanation

Exit card

( **Stationary** front

The **Boundary** does not move

Rain **lasts for days**

- Outcome!**
- Identify air mass
  - Identify front
  - Differentiate between fronts types

A Select... ▼ front occurs when two air masses meet and they do not move.

rain

warm

cold

stationary

It is 10 am and the sun is shining in your city. By 2 pm in the afternoon, the weather is cloudy with light rain.

Which of the following **most likely** caused the change in weather?

A cold front formed in the area.

A warm front formed in the area.

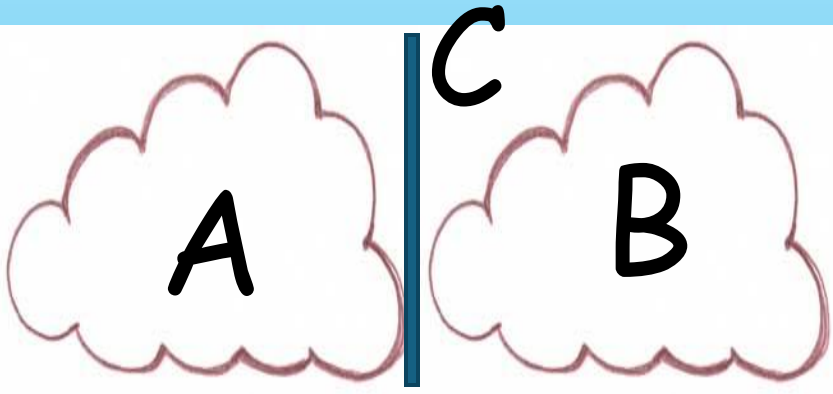
A humid front formed in the area.

A stationary front formed in the area.

# Air mass & Front



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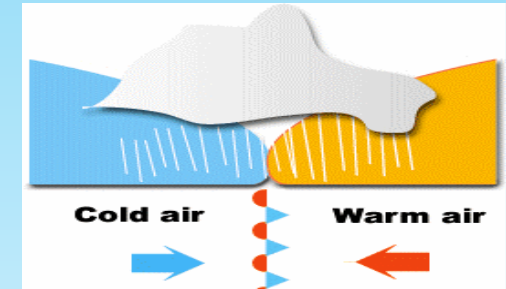
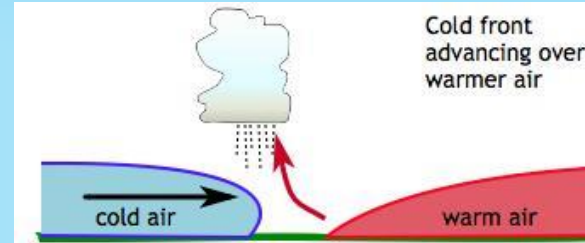
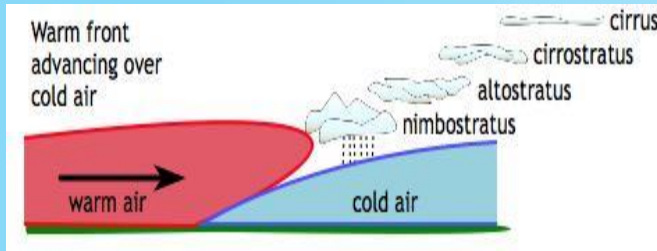


A, B are ( Air masses )

C is ( Front )

ONLY the ( Hot ) airmass will be rising up

Outcomes



Vocabulary

( Warm ) front

( Cold ) front

( Stationary ) front

Explanation

Warm air -- Pushed into / moves over -- cold air mass

( Cold ) air Pushed under warm air mass

The -Boundary-- does not move

Exit card

Light, steady-- Rain --

-- Stormy -- weather

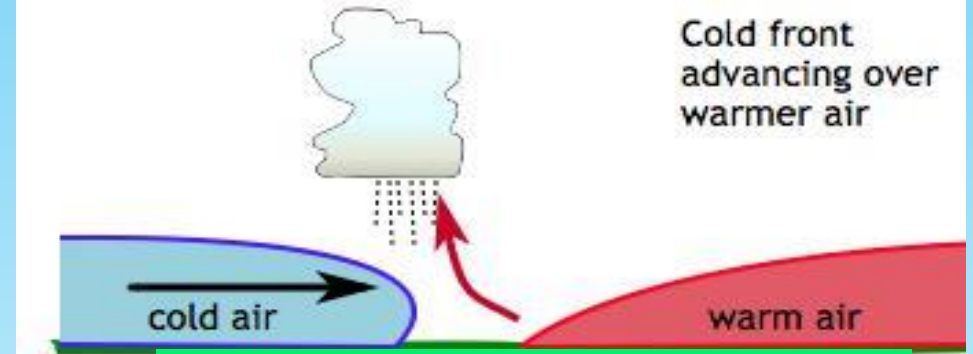
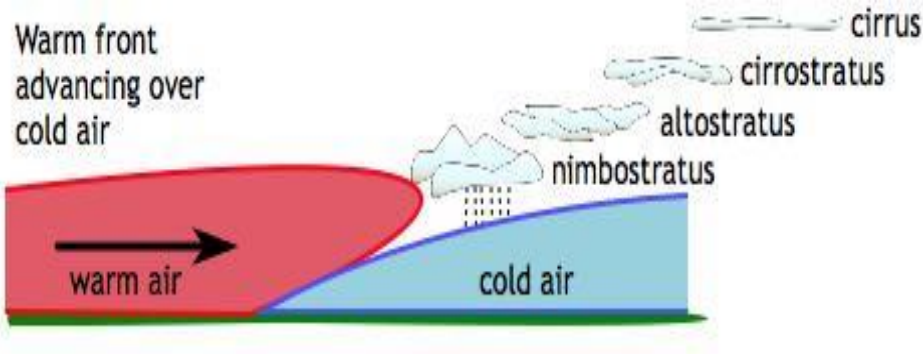
Rain lasts for days ---



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Answer box: Cold front- warm front- stationary front

Outcomes

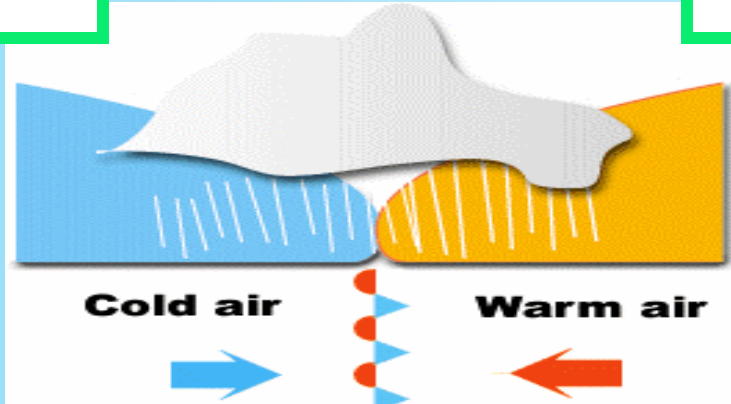


Vocabulary

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Explanation



Exit card

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