Weather and Atmosphere: Weather Forecasting Lesson – Cool Weather Forecasting Facts Worksheet – Answer Key

Directions

Write three cool facts for each category of weather forecasting.

Weather Folklore

- 1. Has been around since ancient times.
- 2. Based on observation of weather patterns.
- 3. Ground Hog Day February 2.

Computer Simulations

- 1. Uses equations to predict future weather.
- 2. Pilots use computer programs to fly planes.
- 3. "Raw" weather data must be collected first.

Weather Balloons

- 1. Launched everyday all over the world.
- 2. Carry radiosondes to collect data.
- 3. Send information back to Earth.

Satellite Technology

- 1. Shows what Earth looks like from space.
- 2. Information about Earth's systems and climate.
- 3. Gives pictures of clouds, fire, dust, etc.

Weather Radar

- 1. Allows us to see inside a large cloud or storm.
- 2. Uses radio waves to detect precipitation.
- 3. Most weather radars are Dopplar radars.