

Lesson 2 Energy Transfer in the Atmosphere

Predict three facts that will be discussed in Lesson 2 after reading the headings. Record these facts in your Science Journal.

Main Idea

Energy from the Sun

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Energy on Earth

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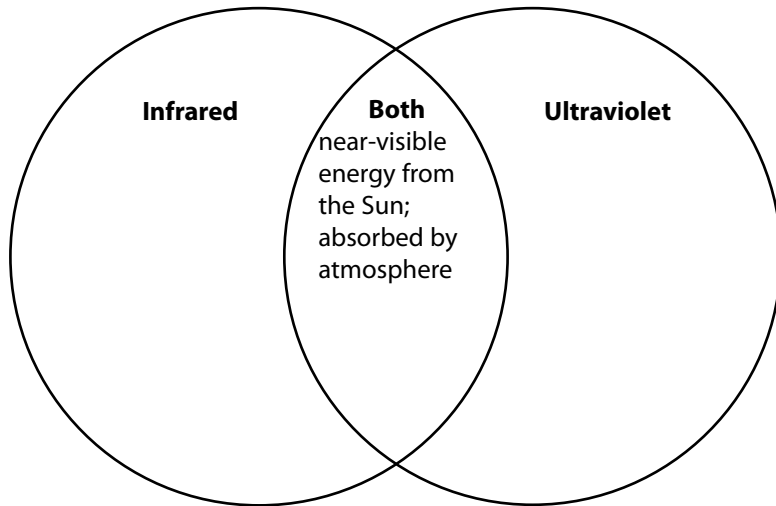
Define radiation.

Radiation: _____

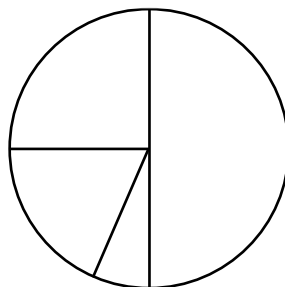
Identify the 3 forms of radiation that make up most of the Sun's energy.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Compare and contrast infrared and ultraviolet light.



Color the circle graph to represent the portion of radiation reflected and absorbed by Earth's surface and atmosphere. Complete the key to show what each color indicates.



KEY	
<input type="checkbox"/>	25% reflected back to space by particles in the atmosphere
<input type="checkbox"/>	20% absorbed by particles in the atmosphere
<input type="checkbox"/>	50% absorbed by Earth's surface
<input type="checkbox"/>	5% reflected back by land and sea surfaces

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Radiation Balance

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The Greenhouse Effect

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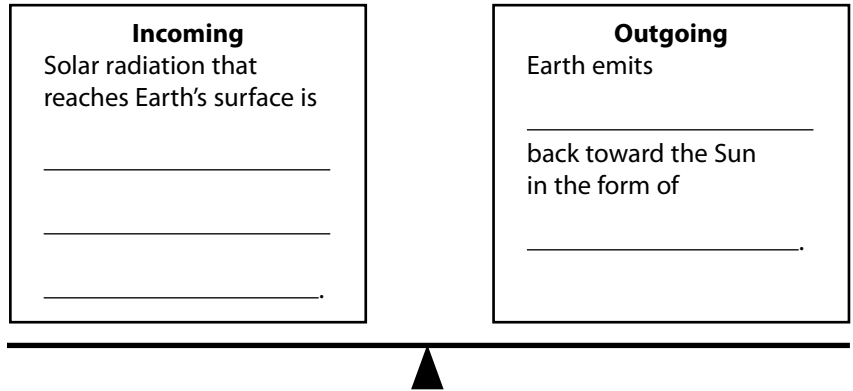
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Thermal Energy Transfer

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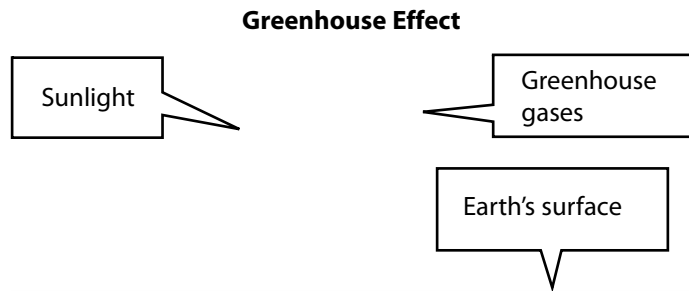
Explain how radiation levels are kept in balance.



Identify three greenhouse gases, and include their chemical formulas.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Draw a yellow arrow to indicate the incoming visible light. Draw red arrows to indicate the paths of infrared energy.



Identify and define 3 ways that thermal energy is transferred.

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2. _____

3. _____

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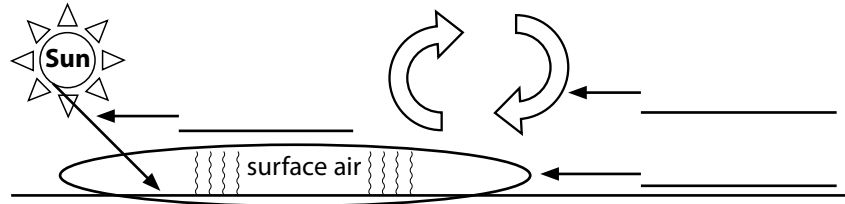
Circulating Air

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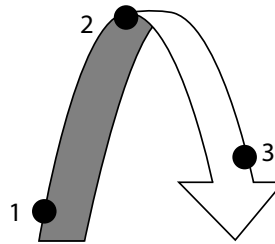
Identify each type of energy transfer.



Describe latent heat's relationship to water, and give an example.

Example: _____

Describe how air moves as it is heated and cooled. Indicate what happens at each position.



Position 1: As air warms, it becomes _____ and _____.

Position 2: As air moves away from the warm surface, it loses _____ and _____. Cool air is _____ than warm air, so it begins to _____.

Position 3: Cool air _____ and pushes the _____ air out of the way.

Define stability.

Stability: _____

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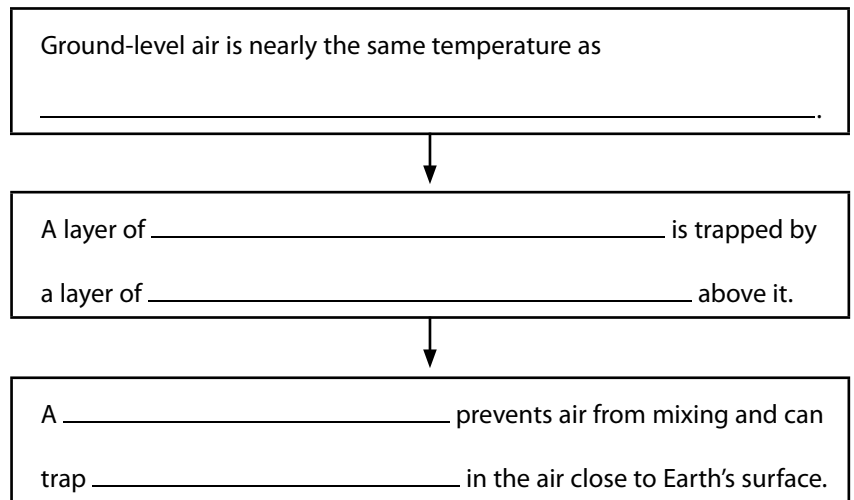
 **Distinguish** the motion of stable and unstable air.

Motion of Stable Air	Motion of Unstable Air

 **Explain** air movement during a thunderstorm.

During unstable conditions, ground level air is much warmer than _____. Air rises _____, cools, and produces large, tall clouds. _____, released as water vapor, changes from a _____ to a _____, adds to the instability, and produces a violent storm.

 **Sequence** a temperature inversion.



 **Analyze It** While on a picnic in the Rocky Mountains, you notice that clouds form and disappear at the top of the peaks. How can you explain this phenomenon?
