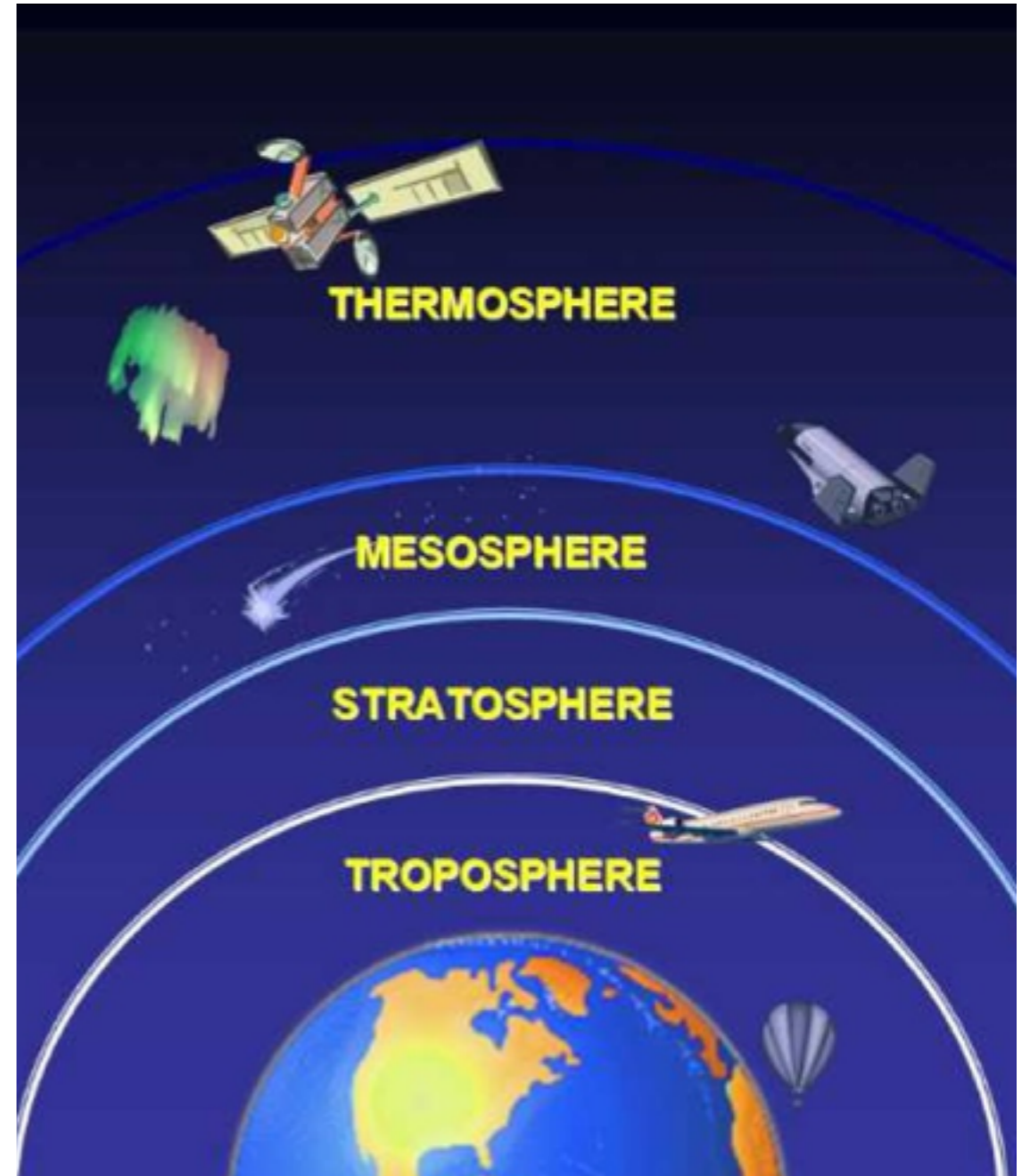


# Atmosphere

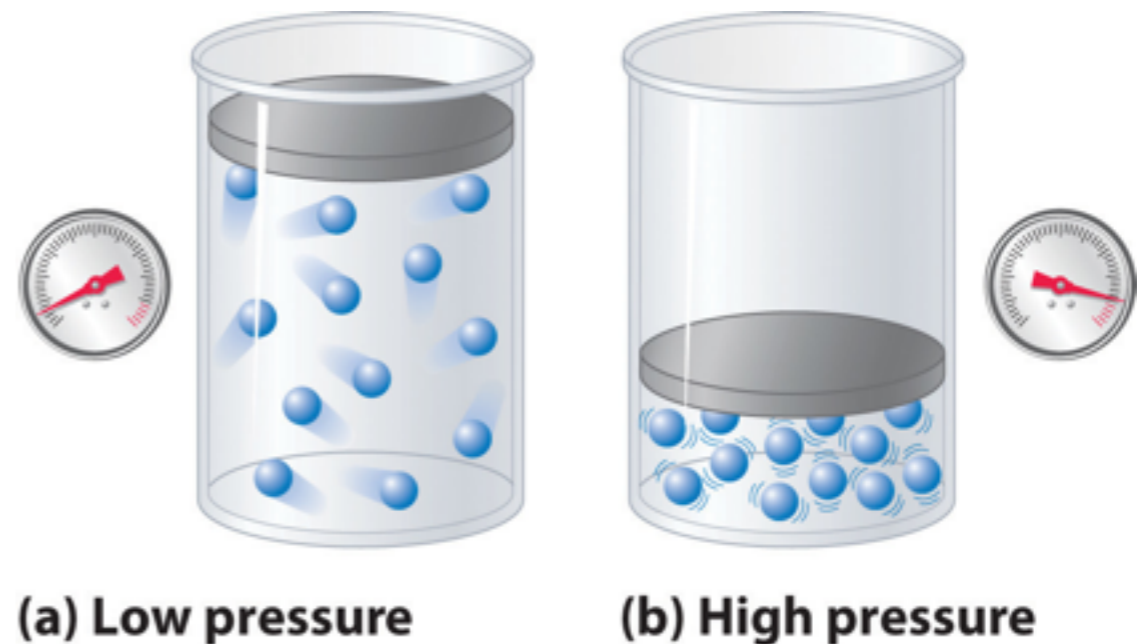
**Definition:** The atmosphere is a mixture of gases that surrounds the earth.

**Example:** The atmosphere is made up of 78 percent nitrogen and 21 percent oxygen.



# Air Pressure

- **Definition:** The measure of the force which the air molecules push down on a surface.
- **Example:** The air pressure is much lower on top of Mount Everest than it is on the ground in Chicago.



# Altitude

- **Definition:** The height of an object or point above the Earth's surface.
- **Example:** The altitude of jet planes is between 31,000 and 37,000 feet above the surface.

