Key Concept Builder



LESSON 3

Weather Forecasts

Key Concept What instruments are used to measure weather variables?

Directions: On the line before each weather-related detail, write the letter of the term that matches it correctly. Some terms may be used more than once.

- 1. uses symbols to display information from surface and upper-air reports **2.** can be visible or infrared **3.** describes measurements of weather variables on Earth's surface **4.** orbit about 35,000 km above Earth **5.** is especially useful for measuring wind speed during severe weather **6.** describes what was measured by a radiosonde 7. measures the radiation given off by Earth **8.** measures precipitation by bouncing radio waves
- **B.** upper-air report

A. surface report

- **C.** satellite image
- **D.** radar image
- **E.** station model
- **F.** isobars
- **G.** isotherms
- **H.** Doppler radar
- **I.** satellite
- **9.** detects precipitation as well as the movement of small particles

off raindrops

- **10.** lines on a map that connect places of similar air pressure
 - **11.** includes a measurement of wind speed, air pressure, and precipitation
 - **12.** given twice daily at many locations around the world
- **13.** show the location of high- and low-pressure
- **14.** lines that connect places of similar temperatures
- **15.** describes conditions above Earth's surface