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Journal Writing with Art: Weather Forecast

Choose a work of art that shows a seasonal weather scene (for example a winter snow storm, a sunny summer day, or a spring thunderstorm). Imagine that you are asked to give a weather forecast for the days ahead.

- What type of weather will occur based on what you see in this scene?
- What will the temperature be like?
- What will people need to wear?



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Journal Writing with Art: Setting the Scene

Choose a work of art that shows a seasonal weather scene and write a short story based upon what you see.



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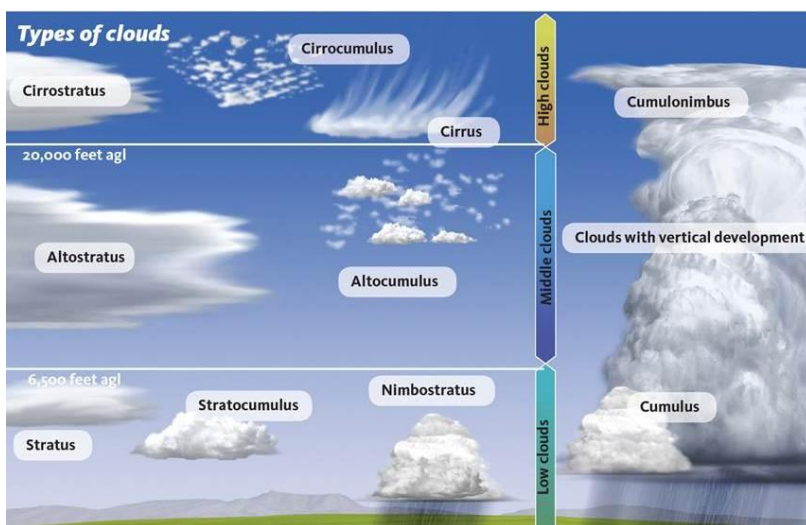
Journal Writing: Weather Forecast

Look outside at the weather. What does the sky look like to you? What is the temperature? What do you think the weather will be like for the rest of the day? What about the next day? In the space below, write a weather report for today and a forecast for tomorrow.

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Journal Drawing: Observing the Clouds

Spend time observing the clouds and make sketches of what you see.



Clouds are made up of water droplets or ice crystals that float in the sky. They are identified according to their height above and appearance from the ground.

Can you identify the type of clouds you sketched above?

For more information on clouds, go to NOAA's www.scijinks.gov/clouds/

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Journal Writing with Art: Habitats

Look at a work of art that shows at least two different types of habitats (such as fresh/salt water, mountains and polar regions, forests, grasslands, and deserts). What types of animals live here – both seen and unseen? What do they need to survive? Describe each habitat and the things animals need to live in this place. Include small sketches of the types of animals you would see.



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Journal Writing with Art: Painting as a Place

Choose a work of art that shows a natural setting, like a forest, mountain, or the sea. Imagine that you are in this place. What do you see, hear, taste, smell, and feel? Write a short story or a poem about this place and make a sketch of the types of activities you would do while in this setting.



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Journal Drawing: An Animal for all Habitats

There are five types of habitats that animals live in on Earth: aquatic, mountains and polar regions, forests, grasslands, and deserts. Using your imagination, draw an animal that can live in all five habitats. What physical characteristics will this creature need to survive? What types of food will it eat? Where will it live?

Need help thinking about animal habitats?
Go to www.nationalgeographic.org/media/animal-homes-and-habitats/



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Journal Writing: A Sense Filled Nature Walk

Go on a nature walk in your neighborhood or in a local park. Using your senses, describe what you hear, smell, see, feel, and even taste!



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