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Scientists list 12 new types of cloud

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THE READING

The International Cloud Atlas has named 'new' types of clouds and cloud formations for the first time since 1987. Meteorologists and cloud lovers have 12 new names to play with. The atlas started in 1896. It is believed to be the standard and most authoritative reference tool on clouds. The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) publishes it and decides whether or not to include new clouds. The WMO said you don't need to be an expert to find a new cloud. It said anyone can take a photo and send it to the WMO, and that could one day become a new cloud.

The cloud creating the biggest buzz online is named asperitas, meaning 'rough-like' in Latin. It looks like big waves at sea when looked at from below. Another is the volutus. This a tube-shaped cloud mass that looks like it is rolling. The WMO said the new clouds could increase people's interest in the environment. It said: "By learning the name of the formations…we pay attention to and value what we see around us." It added: "By giving a language to the forms of our atmosphere, we are helping people to value our atmosphere and to pay attention to our impact on it."

PHRASE MATCHING

PARAGRAPH ONE:

1. clouds and	a. to find a new cloud
2. cloud	b. authoritative
3. the standard and most	c. a new cloud
4. reference	d. or not to…
5. decides whether	e. lovers
6. you don't need to be an expert	f. to the WMO
7. send it	g. cloud formations
8. could one day become	h. tool

PARAGRAPH TWO:

1. creating the biggest buzz	a. the environment
2. meaning 'rough-like'	b. sea
3. big waves at	c. attention to
4. when looked at from	d. mass
5. This a tube-shaped cloud	e. in Latin
6. increase people's interest in	f. below
7. pay	g. on it
8. our impact	h. online

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

The International Cloud Atlas (1) _____ of clouds and cloud formations for the first time since 1987. Meteorologists and cloud lovers have 12 new names to play with. (2) _____ 1896. It is believed to be (3) _____ most authoritative reference tool on clouds. The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) (4) _____ decides whether or not to include new clouds. The WMO said you don't need to (5) _____ find a new cloud. It said anyone can take a photo and send it to the WMO, and that could one day (6) _____ cloud.

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PUT A SLASH (/)WHERE THE SPACES ARE

The/International/Cloud/Atlas/has/named/'new'/types/of/clouds/and/cloud/formations/for/the/first/time/since/1987./Meteorologists/and/cloud/lovers/have/12/new/names/to/play/with./The/atlas/started/in/1896./It/is/believed/to/be/the/standard/and/most/authoritative/reference/tool/on/clouds./The/World/Meteorological/Organization/(WMO)/publishes/it/and/decides/whether/or/not/to/include/new/clouds./The/WMO/said/you/don't/need/to/be/an/expert/to/find/a/new/cloud./It/said/anyone/can/take/a/photo/and/send/it/to/the/WMO,/and/that/could/one/day/become/a/new/cloud./The/cloud/creating/the/biggest/buzz/online/is/named/asperitas,/meaning/'rough-like'/in/Latin./It/looks/like/big/waves/at/sea/when/looked/at/from/below./Another/is/the/volutus./This/a/tube-shaped/cloud/mass/that/looks/like/it/is/rolling./The/WMO/said/the/new/clouds/could/increase/people's/interest/in/the/environment./It/said:/"By/learning/the/name/of/the/formations…we/pay/attention/to/and/value/what/we/see/around/us."/It/added:/"By/giving/a/language/to/the/forms/of/our/atmosphere,/we/are/helping/people/to/value/our/atmosphere/and/to/pay/attention/to/our/impact/on/it."

CLOUDS SURVEY

Write five GOOD questions about clouds in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.
When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

WRITING

Write about **clouds** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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