

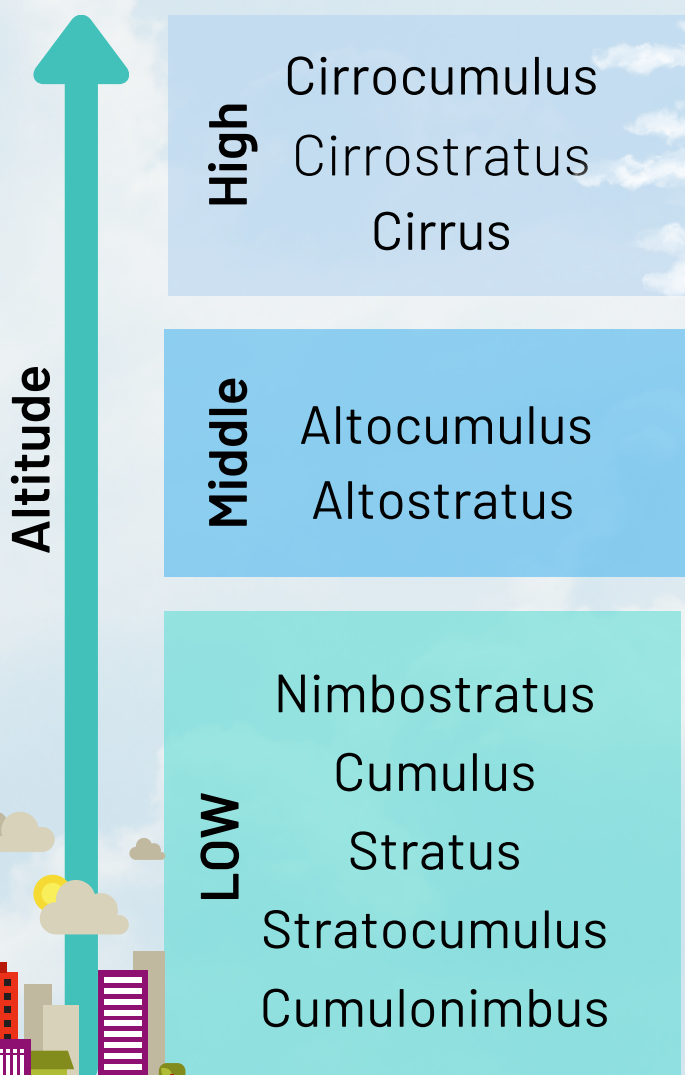
Clouds

Clouds are made up of tiny, light-weight, round water drops or ice crystals, floating in the sky.

Cloud Formation

Water vapour is the gas form of water. When water evaporates, some of it turns into water vapour and travels into the sky where the temperature gets cooler. The droplets attach themselves to small particles of dust, ice, pollen and so on, forming a cloud.

Types of Clouds



Cirrus

Wispy, curly form, blown by the wind. High up in sky. Usually clear, fair weather.

Stratus

Blankets the entire sky with a horizontal, layered pattern. Close to Earth. Light drizzle or snow.

Cumulus

Large, lumpy and can stretch vertically into the sky. Associated with lots of rain or heavy snow.

KINDS OF CLOUDS NOTES



cirrus



stratus



cumulus



cumulonimbus

Make notes on the different types of clouds and take a look at the images on the left to help you describe their features.