

# Global Warming and Climate Change Multiple Choice Test

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**1** Earth's temperatures are stable because we are surrounded by \_\_\_\_\_ which allows the right amount of sunlight in to warm the Earth.

- A** a cloud layer
- B** an atmosphere
- C** gravity
- D** water

**2** This layer keeps us "not too hot in the summer" and "not too cold in the winter." Scientists call this the \_\_\_\_\_ effect.

- A** greenhouse effect
- B** seasonal effect
- C** ocean effect
- D** lake effect

**3** Certain gases in the atmosphere – water vapor, carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide – help maintain the Earth's temperatures and climate. These are called: \_\_\_\_\_.

- A** ozone gases
- B** solar gases
- C** greenhouse gases
- D** stomach gases

**4** The solar energy that warms the Earth includes visible light, infrared and \_\_\_\_\_ coming from the sun.

- A** gamma rays
- B** ultraviolet radiation
- C** microwaves
- D** sunspots

**5** The solar radiation that bounces off the Earth back toward the atmosphere is mostly \_\_\_\_\_ (with a longer wavelength).

- A** gamma radiation
- B** x-ray radiation
- C** nuclear radiation
- D** infrared radiation

**6** The layer of the atmosphere closest to Earth is called the: \_\_\_\_\_.

- A** troposphere
- B** stratosphere
- C** exosphere
- D** mesosphere

**7** How are humans making greenhouse gases of our own?

- A** burning fossil fuels in our cars
- B** burning forests
- C** with large-scale agriculture
- D** all of these

**8** Too many greenhouse gasses in the atmosphere may block heat from escaping into space and trap too much heat next to the Earth's surface causing: \_\_\_\_\_.

- A** another ice age
- B** global warming
- C** earthquakes
- D** volcanic eruptions

**9** Something that might happen because of global warming is: \_\_\_\_\_.

- A** melting polar ice caps
- B** more reflected sunlight off the ice pack
- C** lower sea levels
- D** a sale on bathing suits

**10** Things you can do to help decrease global warming include:

- A** Keep your air conditioner on high.
- B** Turn off your lights when you're not using them.
- C** Keep your freezer door open.
- D** Eat more ice cream.

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