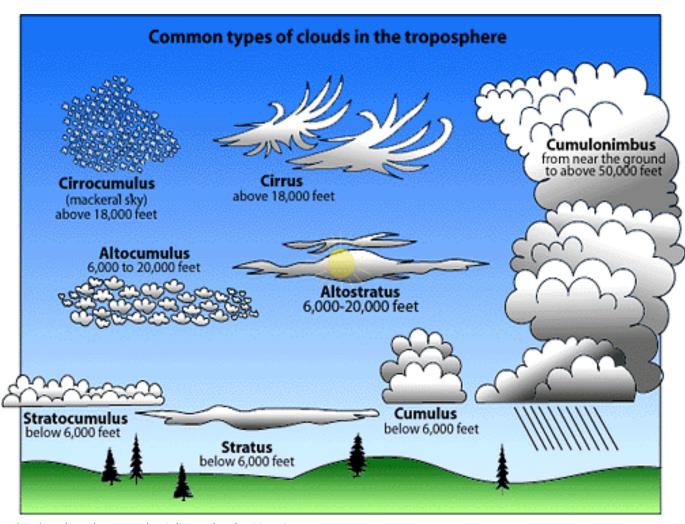


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How to identify clouds - ID chart



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LOW LEVEL CLOUDS



STRATUS CLOUDS

Can be white but are often grey blankets, blocking out the sunlight.

Fog is a form of stratus cloud,

clinging to ground level.

STRATOCUMULUS CLOUDS Layered, can cover the entire sky, except for some brief glimpses of blue breaking through.

CUMULUS CLOUDS

Flat at the bottom and round

and fluffy at the top.



Lots of rain and snow.



Good weather. Possibly a little rain.



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MEDIUM LEVEL CLOUDS



ALTOSTRATUS CLOUDS Look like a grey sheet.



Lots of rain.



ALTOCUMULUS CLOUDS
Look like small puffs of heaped
white or greying clouds like a
stack of pancakes or lots of
UFOs.



Thunder or colder weather.





HIGH LEVEL CLOUDS		
	CIRROCUMULUS CLOUDS A wavelike pattern	Dry and cold. Maybe thunder
	CIRRUS CLOUDS In Latin cirrus means whisps of hair which is exactly what they look like	Sunny and dry
	CUMULONIMBUS CLOUDS Massive, heaped clouds that seem flat at the top reaching from low to high levels	Rain, hail, thunder, and lightning.



