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Vocabulary Matching

Chapter 7

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| _____ 1. air mass | A. the outermost layer of Earth's atmosphere, above the mesosphere |
| _____ 2. atmosphere | B. a moving stream of water in the ocean created by winds pushing against the ocean's surface |
| _____ 3. climate | C. a narrow region between two air masses that have different properties |
| _____ 4. El Niño | D. the normal pattern of weather that occurs in an area over a long period of time |
| _____ 5. front | E. a huge volume of air responsible for types of weather |
| _____ 6. mesosphere | F. the layer of Earth's atmosphere closest to Earth's surface and containing about three-quarters of the atmosphere's gases |
| _____ 7. ocean current | G. the mixture of gases that surround Earth |
| _____ 8. stratosphere | H. a periodic change in the direction of warm ocean currents across the Pacific Ocean |
| _____ 9. thermosphere | I. the layer of Earth's atmosphere above the stratosphere and below the thermosphere |
| _____ 10. troposphere | J. the layer of Earth's atmosphere above the troposphere and below the mesosphere |

Answer Key

- 1. E**
- 2. G**
- 3. D**
- 4. H**
- 5. C**
- 6. I**
- 7. B**
- 8. A**
- 9. F**