Chapter 12 vocabulary

Capacity-amount of material something can hold

Saturated-filled to capacity

Specific humidity-actual amount of water in the air

Relative humidity-amount of water vapor in the air compared with the amount of water vapor the air can hold at capacity

Psychrometer-instrument used to find the relative humidity

Condensation-changing of a liquid to a gas

Dew point-temperature at which air must be cooled to reach saturation

Frost-ice formed from condensation below the freezing point of water

Cirrus cloud-light, feathery cloud made of ice crystals

Cumulus cloud-big puffy cloud, formed from rising currents of warm air

Stratus cloud-low, sheet like cloud that forms layers across the sky