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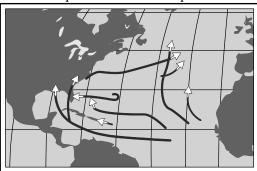
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THE NATURE OF STORMS

- **1.** Whether or not thunderstorms develop on a particular day depends on .
 - A air pressure
 - **B** relative humidity
 - C air temperature
 - **D** both air temperature and relative humidity
- **2.** Which sentence below might explain how lightning occurs?
 - A Oppositely charged air molecules attract and make light from electricity.
 - **B** High winds make air move so fast that it turns into light.
 - C Light from the Sun reflects from the rain in quick bursts down to Earth's surface.
 - **D** Lightning comes from any type of storm.
- **3.** Which of the following weather systems always forms over the ocean?
 - A blizzard
 - **B** hurricane
 - C thunderstorm
 - **D** tornado

- **4.** What weather conditions in the central United States are favorable to the development of tornadoes?
 - A Cloudy air from Mexico meets clear air from the Great Lakes.
 - **B** Warm air from the Gulf of Mexico meets cold air from Canada.
 - C Fast-moving air from the Rockies meets slow-moving air from the Appalachians.
 - **D** High-pressure atmosphere meets low-pressure air from the surface of the land.

Use the map below to answer question 5.



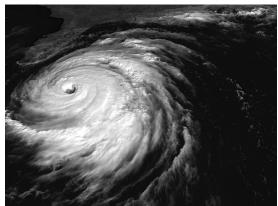
- 5. The map above shows the paths that Atlantic hurricanes took in 2004. Why do no hurricanes form in the northeastern Atlantic (off the coast of Europe)?
 - **A** The water pressure is too low.
 - **B** The water pressure is too high.
 - **C** The water temperature is too low.
 - **D** The water temperature is too high.



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continued

Base your answers to questions 6 and 7 on the satellite image below.



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- **6.** What would you expect to find in the center of this storm?
 - A a cold, dry air mass
 - **B** a warm, dry air mass
 - C an area of high pressure
 - **D** an area of low pressure
- 7. Over which area did the storm likely originate?
 - A polar continental land
 - B polar ocean
 - C tropical continental land
 - D tropical ocean

- **8.** A tornado has a wind speed of 290 km/h and a path of destruction 48 km wide. How would the tornado be classified according to the Enhanced Fujita Tornado Damage scale?
 - **A** EF0 or EF1
 - **B** EF1 or EF2
 - C EF2 or EF3
 - **D** EF4 or EF5
- 9. Droughts are extended periods of
 - A above-normal temperatures
 - **B** below-normal temperatures
 - C above-normal rainfall
 - **D** below-normal rainfall

