Atmospheric Crossword Puzzle

Across

- 1. Airborne particles.
- 2. Abbreviation for polar mesospheric cloud.
- 3. Region of the atmosphere about 50-85 km above the Earth's surface.
- 4. Air currents.
- 5. Inflatable object that can carry people, or scientific instruments, high above the ground.
- 6. Defines the wavelength of light emitted from the sun.
- 7. Region of the Earth's atmosphere above about 85 km.
- 8. Capacity to do work.
- 9. Wavelengths just short of visible.
- 10. The amount of light reflected from a surface.
- 11. Radiation with a wavelength longer than visible that heats the Earth's atmosphere.
- 12. An atom that has unequal numbers of protons and electrons.
- 13. Tells how hot or cold something is.
- 14. The process of turning from a gas to a liquid.
- 15. Rain.
- 16. Layer of the Earth's atmosphere where we live.
- 17. Having to do with the electromagnetic spectrum.
- 18. Region of the atmosphere containing most of the ozone.
- 19. The process of turning from a liquid to a gas.
- 20. Violent weather caused by rising air and accompanied by rain and lightning.
- 21. Having to do with the earth.
- 22. Edge of the atmosphere, or viewing direction from a satellite toward the Earth's horizon.
- 23. Light amplification by stimulated emission of radiation.
- 24. The stuff we breathe.
- 25. Light detection and ranging.
- 26. Night-shining.
- 27. Effect that occurs when gases trap the Sun's heat in the Earth's atmosphere.
- 28. Greenhouse gases lead to ______ warming.

Down

- 1. Separation of light into different colors.
- 2. Defines the wavelength of light emitted from the Earth's surface.
- 3. The air that surrounds the Earth.
- 4. Degree of wetness in the atmosphere.
- 5. Can be seen.
- 6. Overall weather conditions for a very long time.
- 7. Characterizes the color of light.
- 8. Electromagnetic energy.
- 9. The science of matter and how substances react with one another.
- 10. Star at the center of our solar system.
- 11. Regions of condensed vapor in the atmosphere.
- 12. Eclipse of the sun by the Earth's atmosphere.
- 13. _____ heat is released during condensation and absorbed during evaporation.
- 14. Technical name for sunshine.
- 15. Move air around.
- 16. Molecule made of three oxygen atoms.
- 17. Losing heat.
- 18. Frozen water.
- 19. Having to do with the sun.
- 20. A process by which light is extinguished when it interacts with the atmosphere.
- 21. Reflection of light by small particles.
- 22. The science of fluid (or atmospheric) motions.
- 23. Something that orbits a planet or other celestial body.
- 24. Mountain that erupts.
- 25. Increasing temperatures.
- 26. Ice crystals that form when water vapor condenses directly into ice, not water.
- 27. Abbreviation for polar stratospheric cloud.