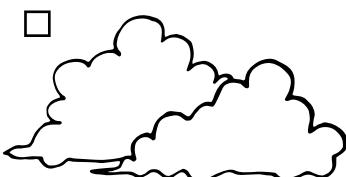
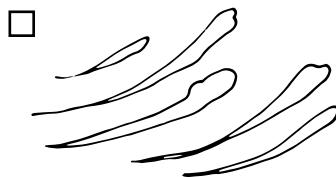


INVESTIGATE THE SKY TODAY!

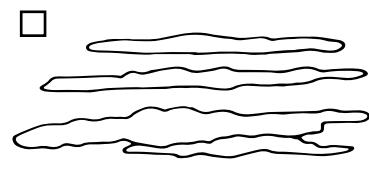
1. What shape clouds do you see in the sky right now?



Cumulus
Heaped and puffy, clear edges

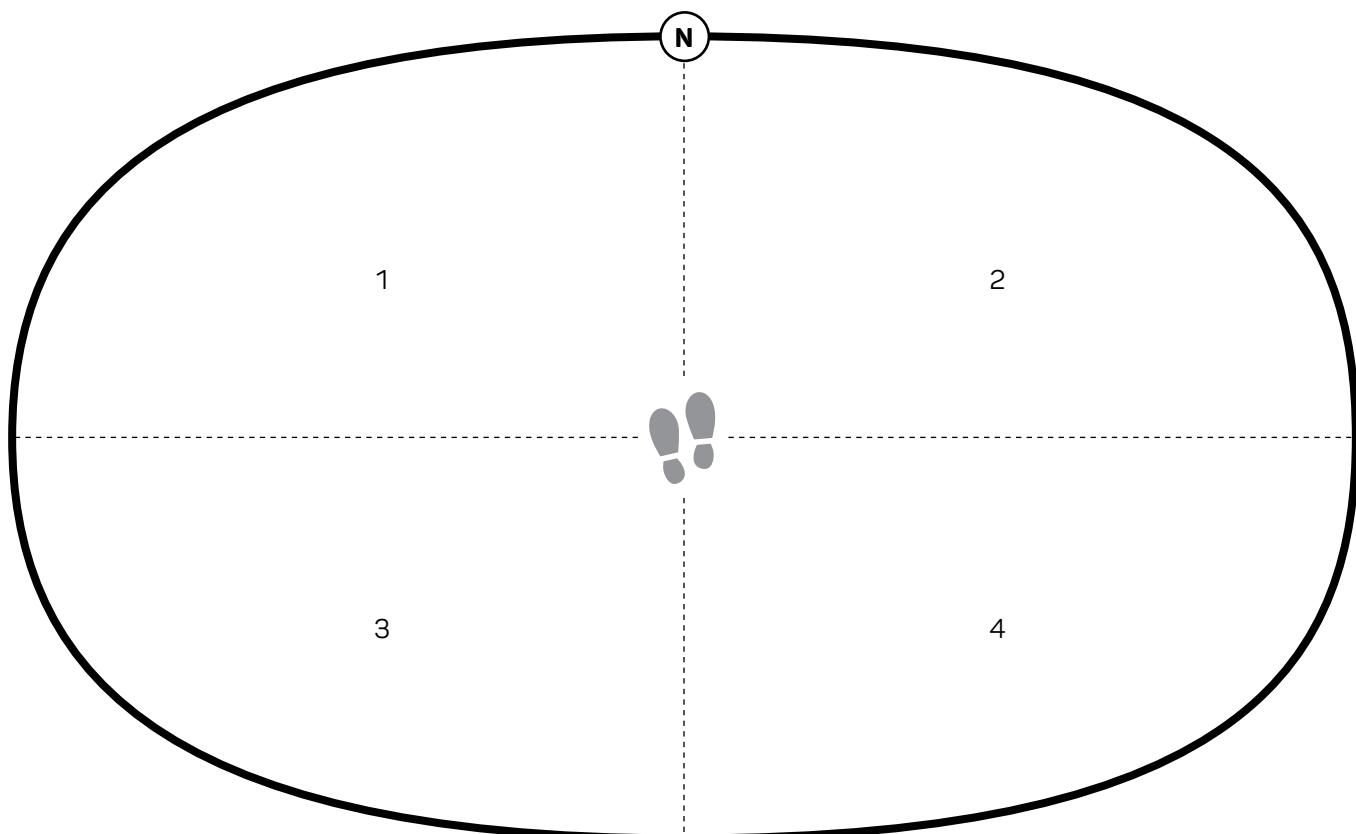


Cirrus
Thin, wispy

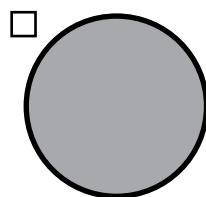


Stratus
Layered, sheet-like

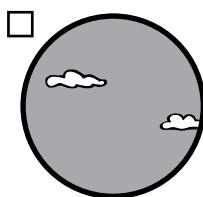
2. Now try drawing all the clouds you can see. The sky is big. To make an accurate observation, it is helpful to orient yourself north, divide the sky into quadrants, and sketch what you see in each one. No clouds today? That's real data, too; so make a note.



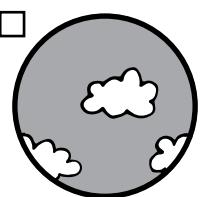
3. How full is the sky today? Can you estimate cloud cover?



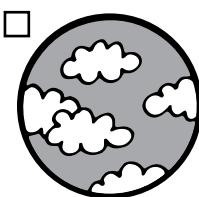
No clouds
0% coverage



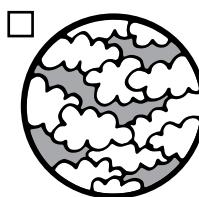
Few
1-10% coverage



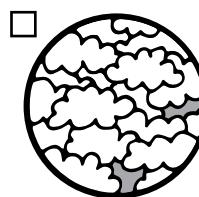
Isolated
10-25% coverage



Scattered
25-50% coverage



Broken
50-90% coverage



Overcast
90%-100% coverage