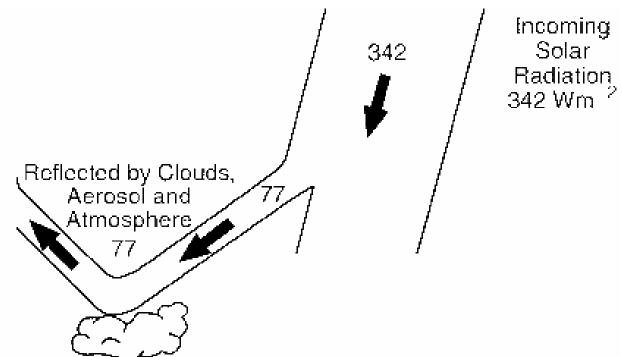


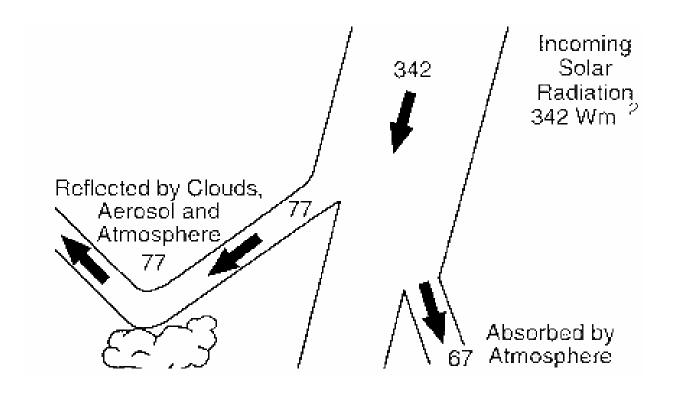
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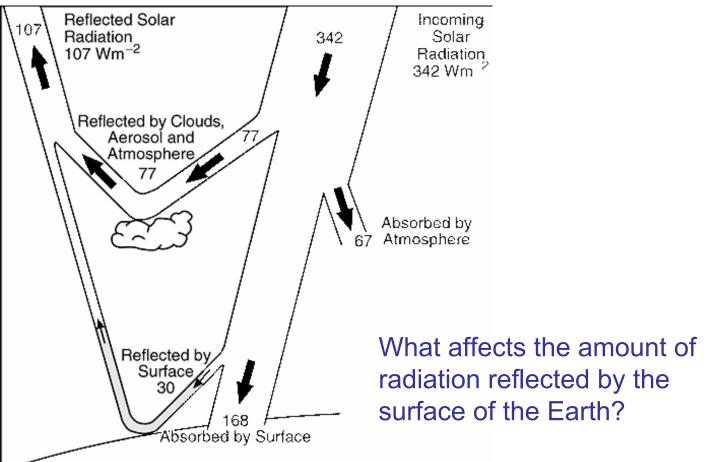


What affects the amount of radiation reflected by the atmosphere?



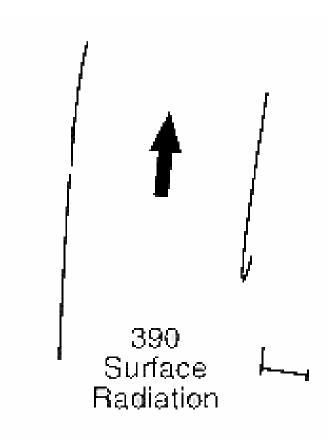




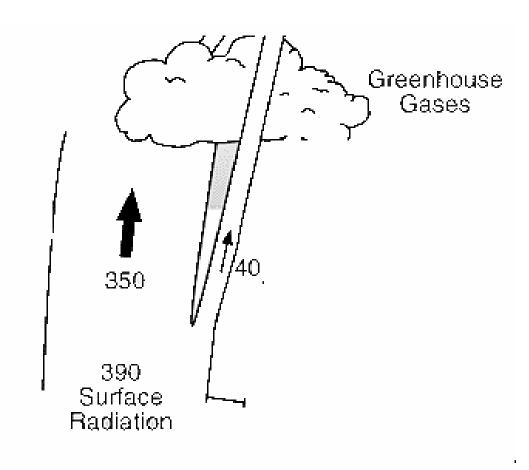




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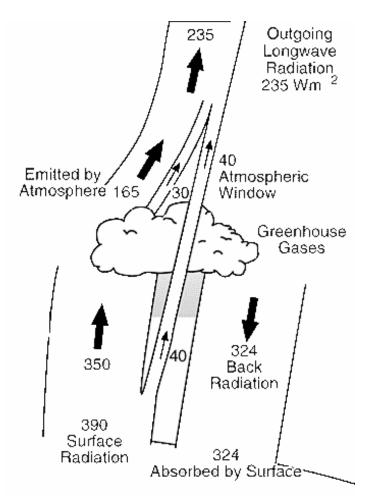




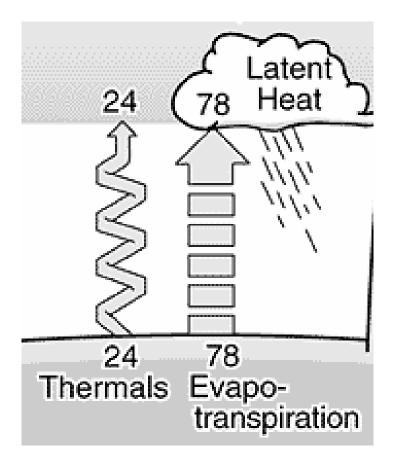
What are the 'Greenhouse Gases'?



What is the 'Greenhouse Effect'?







What other heat transfer processes might operate in the atmosphere?



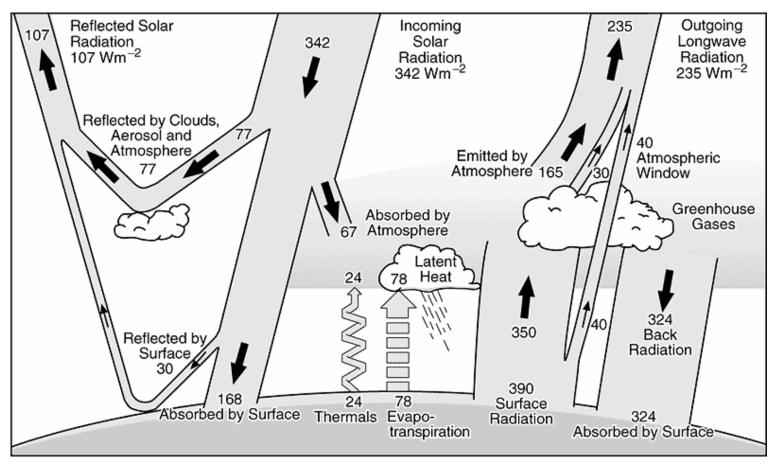


Figure adapted from Kiehl & Trenberth, 1997

- 1. What is the net energy at the top of the atmosphere?
- 2. What is the net energy of the centre of the atmosphere?
- 3. What is the net energy of the surface of the Earth?
- 4. What will happen if the amount of energy absorbed by the atmosphere changes?

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