

1. Match each key term in the left column with its definition in the right column.
(Page 360-368 of textbook will help)

Term		Definition
A. <u>paleoclimatologist</u>	E	the traces or remains of a once-living organism
B. <u>ice core</u>	G	describing a satellite that travels around Earth's equator at a speed that matches the speed of Earth's rotation so that the satellite remains in the same position relative to Earth's surface
C. <u>isotope</u>	M	a means of reducing or avoiding greenhouse gas emissions by purchasing credits to reduce your carbon footprint
D. <u>sedimentary rock</u>	L	the effect that human activities have on the environment in terms of the amount of greenhouse gases produced, measured in units of carbon dioxide
E. <u>fossil</u>	H	a mathematical or computer program that describes, simulates, and predicts the interactions of the atmosphere, oceans, land surface, and ice of Earth to simulate past, present, and future climate conditions
F. <u>monitor</u>	J	any substance or process that alters the global energy balance and causes climate to change
G. <u>geostationary</u>	D	a type of rock that is formed by the deposition of sediment
H. <u>climate model</u>	A	a scientist who studies past climates on Earth
I. <u>general circulation model (GCM)</u>	K	a tendency toward a particular perspective or point of view that prevents objective assessment of a topic
J. <u>forcing agent</u>	I	a complex computer program that uses mathematical equations to describe the physical processes of the atmosphere and to manipulate the variables that affect how the natural climate system works
K. <u>bias</u>	C	any of two or more forms of an element that have the same number of protons but a different number of neutrons
L. <u>carbon footprint</u>		to measure conditions systematically and repeatedly in order to track changes
M. <u>carbon offset</u>	B	a long cylinder of ice obtained by drilling into a glacier

2. List four sources of evidence about past climates.

- 1) ice cores
- 2) sedimentary rocks
- 3) fossils
- 4) tree rings