

Quiz – weather forecasting

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1. About how often do most weather stations take weather observations?
 - Every hour
 - Every day
 - Every week
 - Every month

2. How many weather stations do we have in New Zealand?
 - Fewer than 50
 - A million
 - Hundreds
 - Ten thousand

3. An anemometer records what kind of weather data?
 - Temperature
 - Humidity
 - Rainfall
 - Wind speed

4. Meteorologists record air pressure using a _____?
 - Thermometer
 - Anemometer
 - Barometer
 - Buoy

5. How do weather balloons transmit the data they collect back to the ground?
 - A mobile phone
 - A simple radio
 - A mirror
 - A computer

6. Supercomputers used in weather forecasting take up about how much space?
 - A shoebox
 - A desk
 - A room
 - An entire building

7. Nowadays, forecasts out to three to five days in the future are usually how accurate?
 - Very accurate
 - Not accurate at all
 - 100% accurate

Correct answers

1. Every hour
2. Hundreds
3. Wind speed
4. Barometer
5. A simple radio
6. A room
7. Very accurate