Lightning

A. Choose the correct answer:

1. What causes lightning?

- A) The movement of the moon
- B) The collision of clouds with the ground
- C) The flow of electric charge between clouds and the ground
- D) The movement of air currents

2. Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of lightning?

- A) It is a sudden electrical discharge
- B) It produces a loud sound called thunder
- C) It only occurs during storms with high winds
- D) It can heat the air to a high temperature

3. What is the flash of lightning caused by?

- A) Sudden movement of air
- B) The release of energy from the sun
- C) The rapid expansion and contraction of heated air
- D) The collision of water droplets

Fill in the Blanks:

Lightning is caused by a sudden discharge of	between the clouds
and the Earth.	
2. The loud sound heard after lightning is called	

3. The temperature of a lightning bolt can reach ______ degrees Celsius, which is hotter than the surface of the sun.

C. Case Study:

During a thunderstorm, a lightning strike hits a tree in a field, causing a fire. The lightning had traveled from the clouds to the ground, carrying a large amount of electrical energy. The tree was struck, and the heat from the lightning caused the tree to catch fire.

Case Study Questions:

- 1. What happened when the lightning struck the tree?
- 2. How does lightning cause a fire?
- 3. Why is lightning so dangerous for both living beings and objects on the ground?

4. What can be done to prevent the damage caused by lightning?

D. Short Answer Questions:

- 1. How is lightning formed?
- 2. Why does lightning produce thunder?
- 3. What safety measures should be taken during a lightning storm?

E. Long Answer Questions:

- 1. Describe the process of how lightning occurs between clouds and the ground.
- 2. Explain the relationship between lightning and thunder. Why is thunder heard after lightning?
- 3. Discuss the dangers of lightning and how to stay safe during a thunderstorm.