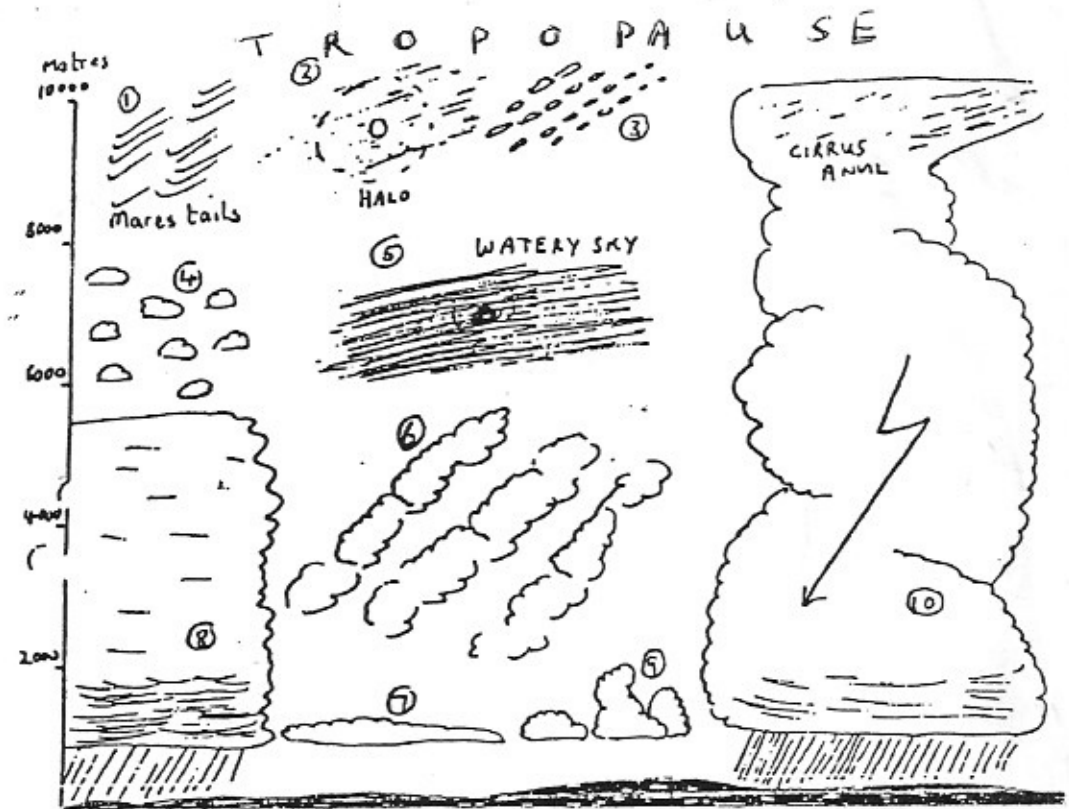


Cloud Types

1. Cirrus
2. Cirrostratus
3. Cirrocumulus
4. Altocumulus
5. Altostratus
6. Stratocumulus
7. Stratus
8. Nimbostratus
9. Cumulus
10. Cumulonimbus



High Clouds 8- 10 km

Middle to High Clouds 6 - 8 km

Low Cloud less than 4km

The ten major cloud names are made of a combination of 5 words, the meaning of these words is below :-

Cirrus - Cirrus - very high cloud, very cold and made of ice crystals. These clouds are very thin and are often streaky in appearance.

Stratus - Strato - layer or sheet cloud.

Alto - middle to high level

Cumulus - cumulo - towering clouds with a flat base and billowing top.

Nimbus - nimbo - thick dark cloud which produces precipitation.