

## COMPREHENSION TEST

## SCIENCE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Severe Weather****Directions:** Fill in the bubble next to the correct answer for each multiple-choice question.

1. The main purpose of the selection is to
  - a. identify the characteristics of hurricanes and tornadoes.
  - b. motivate people to listen to warnings from the National Weather Service.
  - c. convince people to seek shelter during a severe storm.
  - d. inform people about the history of naming hurricanes.
  
2. Rotate means to
  - a. bounce.
  - b. turn.
  - c. run.
  - d. start.
  
3. The term "Tornado Alley" refers to
  - a. a geographic corridor with a high frequency of tornado activity.
  - b. the path tornadoes follow between buildings.
  - c. a twisting funnel-shaped cloud.
  - d. a tornado's tendency to follow major highways.
  
4. Hurricanes and tornadoes are examples of
  - a. tropical depressions.
  - b. storm surges.
  - c. extreme rainstorms.
  - d. destructive windstorms.
  
5. How are tornadoes and hurricanes different? Use details from the selection to support your answer.

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