

Name _____

Art of Atmosphere Answer Key

Expected Mood:

- Dark, tense, fearful, heavy, stormy atmosphere

Possible Artistic Representations:

- **Colors:** Dark grays, blacks, deep blues for heaviness; flashes of white or yellow for lightning
- **Symbols/Imagery:** Jagged lines (lightning/unease), swirling patterns (wind and chaos), empty street silhouettes, rain streaks
- **Abstract elements:** Heavy shading to show darkness, sharp edges to show tension

Sample Explanations:

- “I used jagged yellow lines to show the suddenness of lightning and dark gray shading for the heavy mood.”
- “I drew swirling circles to represent the storm’s chaos and used dark colors to capture the fearful feeling.”

Teacher Notes:

- Look for student responses that **connect artwork to text evidence** rather than focusing on neatness or realism.
- Encourage creative variety: some students may draw literal storm scenes, while others may prefer abstract art. Both are valid if they show an understanding of mood.
- Check their written sentences for clear reasoning linking visual choices (colors, symbols, imagery) to the **emotional tone** of the passage.