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How A Tornado Forms Answer Key

1. Tornadoes most often form inside a **supercell thunderstorm**.
2. **Warm, moist air near the ground** collides with **cold, dry air above**.
3. **Wind shear** is when winds at different heights blow in different directions. It makes the air spin, which can lead to tornado rotation.
4. When a **funnel cloud** touches the **ground**, it officially becomes a tornado.
5. Meteorologists track tornadoes and send warnings to **protect people's lives by giving them time to seek shelter**.