

A dramatic desert storm scene. The sky is filled with dark, heavy clouds, illuminated from below by a bright orange and yellow glow, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. Several bright white lightning bolts are striking down from the clouds. In the foreground, the silhouettes of desert vegetation, including several tall saguaro cacti and smaller shrubs, are visible against the dark ground. The overall atmosphere is intense and powerful.

# The Weather, and all it affects...

**An Observation Project**

# Overview

## 4 days of small group outdoor journaling

- Using our senses (all of them!?) & minds
- Observing the Weather & all it affects:
  - plants, animals, sky, soil, us, etc...
- ~30min outside in one spot (near a tree?)
- Followed by 20min wrap-up, share-out & reflection back in class to improve our skills
- Daily themes to guide our observations

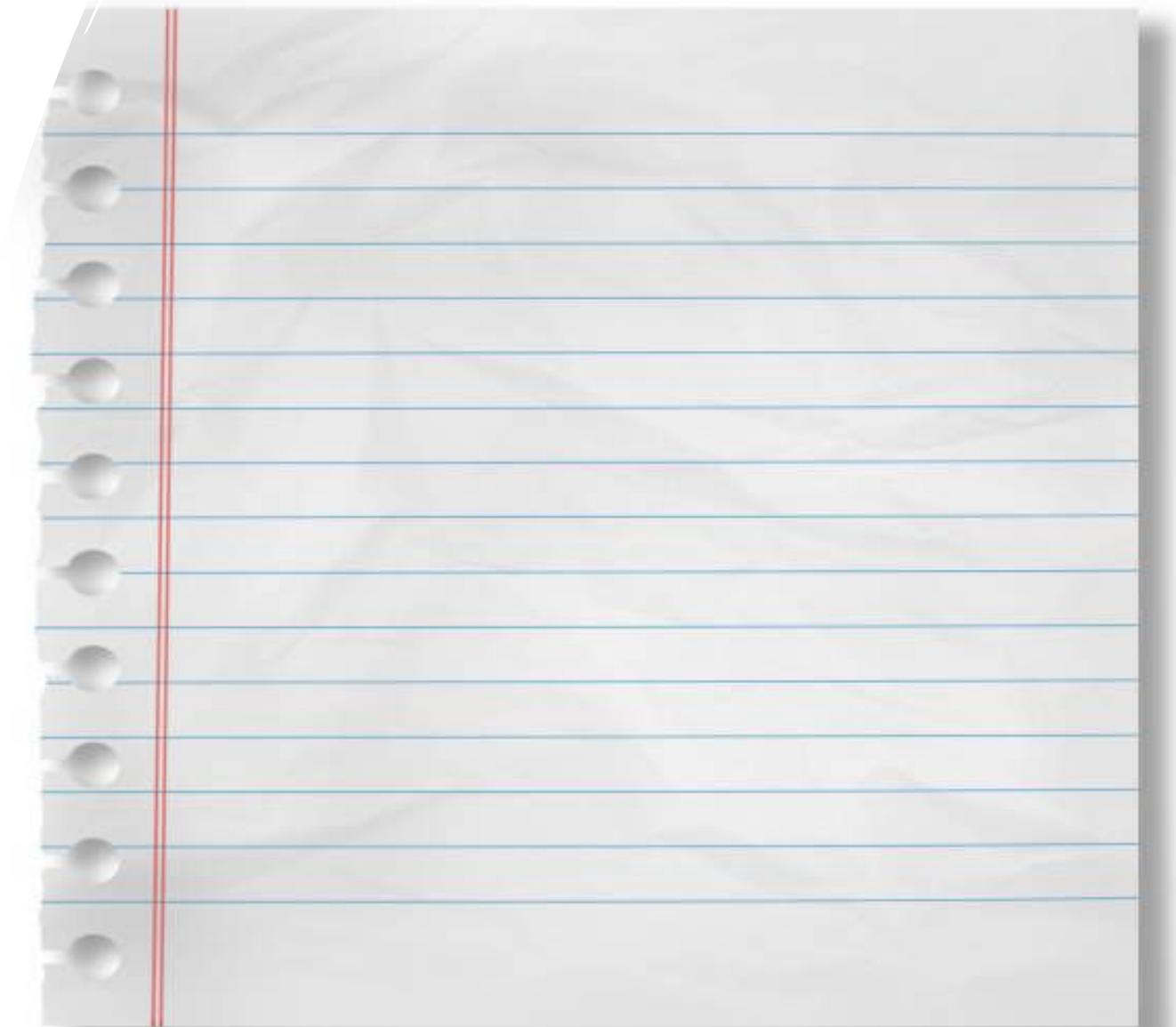


# Day 1

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Start pg1 in a Notebook

- Group names at top
- Map of your spot (~ $\frac{1}{4}$  page)
- Observations (all senses) & brainstorm related to "Weather & all it affects" & GQ1:  
*How do changes in weather & the climate affect our lives?*
- Mostly words, drawings ok



# Day 2

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**Focus: CHANGE** (pg2)  
- since yesterday!?,  
of seasons, the future...  
(micro to macro)

- TWO related drawings
- Further observations and brainstorming, building on what you AND OTHERS did yesterday





# Day 3

## ZOOM IN

Look closer! Investigate... follow an ant & see what it's up to (for example)

- How is weather affecting LIVING THINGS?
- Find more changes...
- Words & Drawings
- Take it to another level, not more of the same



**Day 4... what do YOU have to contribute?**