R.A.P. – **R**eview **a**nd **P**review

*Write in complete sentences and highlight answers in the W.O.W.*

A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a snowstorm with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The winds need to be at least \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ miles per hour or higher.

In a blizzard, there must be enough \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the air to make it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the storm must last at least \_\_\_\_\_\_ hours.

The blizzard of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was one of the worst winter storms to hit the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ United States.

W.I.O – **W**ork **I**t **O**ut

On the next page, using complete sentences, explain how a blizzard is formed.

W.O.W. – **W**ords **o**f **W**isdom

**Blizzards**

A **blizzard** is a snowstorm with high winds and low temperatures. The winds need to blow at least 35 miles per hour or higher. There has to be enough snow in the air to make it hard to see, and the storm needs to last at least 3 hours. Blizzards do not happen frequently.

A blizzard is formed when a strong high pressure system interacts with a strong low pressure system. The high pressure system brings cold air from the north and the low pressure system brings moisture. These two types of systems do not meet on a regular basis so blizzards do not happen often.

The **blizzard of 1888** was one of the worst winter storms ever to hit the eastern United States. Some towns between Maryland and Maine received 40 to 50 inches of snow, with snow drifts between 30 to 40 feet.

 