

## **mesosphere**

That region of the atmosphere which lies above the stratopause (about 4752 km) and below the mesopause (about 8090 km) and in which temperature decreases with increasing height; this is the region in which the lowest temperatures of the atmosphere occur.

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PAC, 1990, 62, 2167 (*Glossary of atmospheric chemistry terms (Recommendations 1990)*) on page 2201