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**Key Concept Builder**

**LESSON 2**

***Climate Cycles***

**Key Concept** How has climate varied over time?

**Directions:** *Put a check mark on the line before each item that provides information about climate changes long ago.*

**1.** ice cores drilled from ice layers in glaciers and ice sheets

**2.** growth rings of trees

**3.** records of prevailing winds

**4.** ocean depths

**5.** fossilized pollen

**6.** ocean currents

**Directions:** *Answer each question on the lines provided.*

**7.** What are ice ages and interglacials?

**8.** When did the most recent ice age begin?

**9.** Which type of period is Earth experiencing now?

**10.** How have temperatures varied during the Holocene, the current period?

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