Risk: The probability of injury, disease or death under specific circumstances and time periods.

Shielding: The material between a radiation source and a potentially exposed person that reduces risk.

Survey Meter: A radiation detecting and measuring instrument used to take field measurements of radiation levels.

Terrestrial Radiation: Radiation emitted by naturally occurring radioactive materials like uranium, thorium and radon.

X-rays: Originate in the electronic shell. Highly penetrating. Stopped by concrete or lead.