

Section 3: Climate and Weather  
Earth's Physical Geography

## Guided Reading and Review

### A. As You Read

**Directions:** As you read Section 3, complete the sentences by writing the correct word.

1. The climate of a place is the average \_\_\_\_\_ over many years.
2. Because oceans gain and lose heat slowly, they help keep temperatures \_\_\_\_\_ near coasts.
3. Global wind patterns help create ocean \_\_\_\_\_, which are like vast rivers in the oceans.
4. The Gulf Stream is a \_\_\_\_\_ ocean current that travels northeast from the tropics.
5. In the summer, a town near a lake or an ocean will usually be \_\_\_\_\_ than a place inland, away from the water.
6. Wind and water can create dangerous storms, such as \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

### B. Reviewing Key Terms

**Directions:** Write the definitions of the key terms in the blanks provided.

7. weather

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8. precipitation

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9. temperature

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10. climate

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11. tropical cyclone

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