Climatology: General Climate

ANSWER KEY

Exercise: 1

Instructions: There are many things that influence the climate of any area including latitude, altitude, distance from the ocean, and wind. This exercise consists of several basic questions from the general climate section of the Digital Atlas of Idaho. Answer the following questions using the Atlas, the Internet, and your library as sources of information and images (as needed).

1. What is the difference between weather and climate?

2. What are the four main things that influence the climate of an area?

3. What are the high/low extremes in Idaho for temperature? What are the high and low temperatures in your part of the state?

4. Why is there more precipitation in northern Idaho than southern Idaho?

5. What does temperate mean?