

Koppen Climatic Classification System Abbreviations For Gang of Fourteen Activity

A Climates – Tropical or Equatorial (*average temperature above 64.4°F, no winter*)

Af: Tropical Rainforest

Aw: Tropical Savanna

B Climates – Dry (*evaporation greater than precipitation*)

BWh: Tropical and Subtropical Desert

BSh: Tropical and Subtropical Steppe (*grasslands*)

BSk: Middle Latitude Steppe (*grasslands*)

C Climates – Humid, Warm, Temperate (*seldom below freezing as a monthly average, mild winter*)

Csa: Mediterranean (*often found on southwest portion of continents*)

Cfa: Humid Subtropical, warm summer (*often found on southeast portion of continents*)

Cfb: Marine West Coast

D Climates – Snowforest, Subarctic, Humid (*northern boundary is the northern limit of forest growth*)

Dwd: Subarctic, dry winter

Dfa: Humid Continental, warm summer, moist throughout

E Climates – Ice Climates (*always cold; warmest month averages under 50°F*)

ET: Tundra (*permafrost and short growing season, no trees*)

EF: Ice Cap (*perpetual snow and ice*)

Note: There are some additional Koppen System breakdowns that are not used in this exercise, for example Dfb is another D climate classification.