## **Checkout Questions**

## Lab 19. Differences in Regional Climate: Why Do Two Cities Located at the Same Latitude and Near a Body of Water Have Such Different Climates?

1. What is climate?

2. How do prevailing winds and ocean currents affect the climates of different regions?

3. The map below shows the locations of three cities: Los Angeles, California; Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; and Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. The map also includes information about prevailing wind directions (dotted lines) and the location of cold water (solid lines) and warm water (dashed lines) ocean currents.

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a. Rank the cities based on their summer high temperatures, with 1 being the coolest summer, and 3 being the warmest summer.

City	Rank
Los Angeles, CA	
Oklahoma City, OK	
Myrtle Beach, SC	

b. How do you know? Explain why you ranked the cities this way.

c. Rank the cities based on their winter low temperatures, with 1 being the warmest winter, and 3 being the coldest winter.

City	Rank
Los Angeles, CA	
Oklahoma City, OK	
Myrtle Beach, SC	

d. How do you know? Explain why you ranked the cities this way.

- 4. Scientists conduct investigation based on their own interests; societal needs and current events do not influence the work of scientists at all.
  - a. I agree with this statement.
  - b. I disagree with this statement.

Explain your answer, using an example from your investigation about differences in regional climate.

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