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: Subartic, 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.*