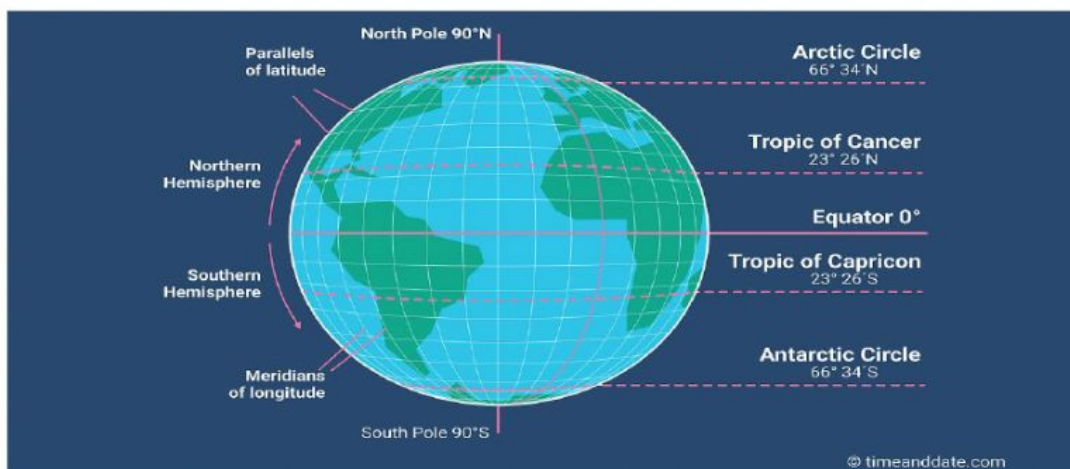


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Latitude Lines

Instruction - use the words from the boxes to fill in the blanks correctly.

- Shorter
- * zero
- * degrees
- * equator
- * Artic
- * parallel
- * South
- * Earth
- * east
- * north



Lines of latitude are also called _____ lines. Latitude lines circle the _____ parallel to the Equator. Latitude lines never touch each other and they get _____ as they reach the north and south poles. The _____ is an imaginary line that lies halfway between the North Pole and the _____ Pole. Latitude lines run from _____ to west all the way around Earth.

Lines of latitude are measured in _____ (°). The Equator is located at _____°. The North Pole is 90° _____ and the South Pole is 90° south _____.

There are other important lines of latitude besides the Equator. For example, the _____ Circle is located at $66\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ N and the Antarctic Circle is located at $66\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ S. They surround the cold regions around the North and South poles. The area between the Tropic of Cancer ($23^{\circ} 27' \text{ N}$) and the Tropic of Capricorn ($23^{\circ} 27' \text{ S}$) is called the tropical zone or the tropics. It is known for its generally hot weather