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- A: I really want to go to the _____ this weekend.
- B: That sounds like fun. What's the _____ going to be like?
- A: I heard that it's going to be _____ this _____.
- B: Is it going to be perfect _____ _____?
- A: I believe so.
- B: Good. I hope it doesn't _____ off this _____.
- A: I know. I _____ want to go to the _____.
- B: But you know that California _____ is really unpredictable.
- A: You're right. One _____ it's _____, and then the next _____ it's _____.
- B: I really wish the _____ would just stay the same.
- A: I do too. That way we can have our activities planned ahead of time.
- B: Yeah, that would make things a lot easier.



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- Akinyi: The _____ is getting so _____ I _____ hate it!
- Jana: I do too. I miss the _____ already. _____ was really lovely here. I wish we could have that _____ all _____.
- Lee: Don't say that. I don't want the Earth to get any warmer. One of my classes _____ got me freaked out about global warming.
- Jana: More freaked out than usual?
- Akinyi: I think we're all concerned* about global warming. What was different about _____'s class?
- Lee: We started studying the melting permafrost in the Arctic.
- Akinyi: The Earth has to get a lot warmer for the permafrost to melt, right?
- Lee: No, and the scariest part is the feedback loop.
- Jana: The feedback loop? What's that?
- Lee: Well, there's carbon frozen in the permafrost, right? And when the permafrost melts, microbes release** carbon dioxide and methane. This leads to more climate change.
- Akinyi: What's the loop part?
- Lee: We all know that carbon dioxide and methane cause global temperatures to rise***.
- Jana: And if the _____ rises, then more permafrost melts.
- Lee: Exactly. And when more permafrost melts, more carbon dioxide and methane is released. That causes global _____ to rise even more. And the cycle continues.
- Akinyi: That is one scary**** cycle. What can we do to stop it?
- Lee: Reduce our carbon dioxide emissions. For most people this means using less energy, using cleaner energy like solar and wind, and driving less.

