

- 365 Days = Revolution
- The Earth's tilt & rotation causes changes in the sunlight that reach different locations on the planet
- The Equinox occurs when both Hemispheres receive equal amount of sunlight (12 hours of day /12 hours of night)

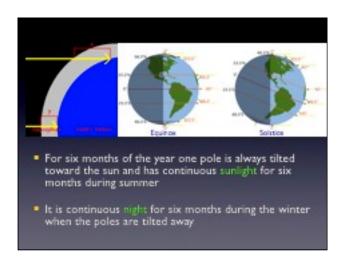
 March 21 (Spring) & Sept. 22 (Fall) for N.Hemisphere



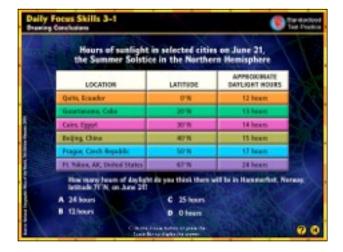
- The sun's rays strike Earth directly at 23.5 degrees.
 North which is called the Tropic of Cancer.
- The day this happens is called a Solstice. (Summer in the Northern Hemisphere). Longest day of the year.

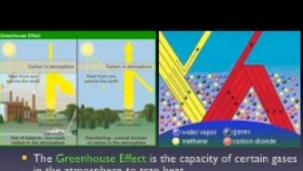


- December 22nd, the sun's direct rays strike the Tropic of Capricorn (23 % degrees South)
 - · Causes the S. Hemisphere to have Summer









- The Greenhouse Effect is the capacity of certain gases in the atmosphere to trap heat
- The theory that increased levels of Co2 in the atmosphere has increased global temperatures is called

Checking for Understanding

Match each of the keywords to the definition, they will only be used once

A. weather B. climate

F. equinox
G. solutice
H. greenhouse effect
L. global warming

Critical Thinking

Comparing and Contrasting What differences in the climate would you expect in Alaska and in Florida? Explain why this happens.

Critical Thinking

Q Drawing Conclusions What effects does the earth's tilt on its axis have on your daily life?

Critical Thinking

Q Analyzing Information What would you pack if you were visiting Argentina in December?

Analyzing Diagrams

Location Study the diagram of the seasons below. In what months do the sun's rays strike the Equator directly? The Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn?

