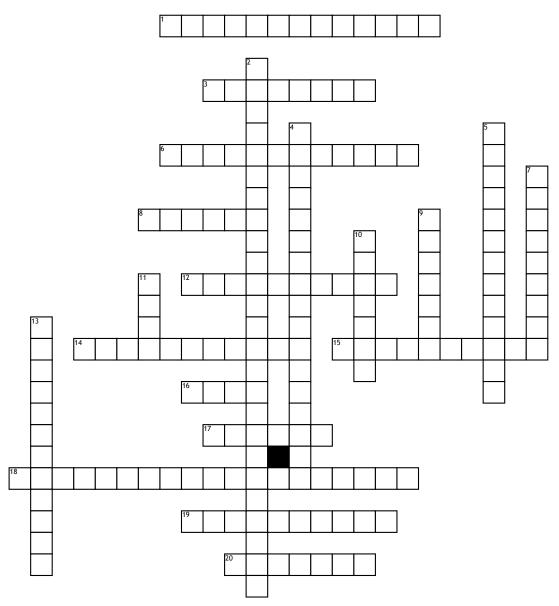
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## La Nina & El Nino



## **Across**

- 1. A gradual increase in the overall temperature of the earth's atmosphere generally attributed to the greenhouse effect caused by increased levels of carbon dioxide, chlorofluorocarbons, and other pollutants.
- **3.** Cover or submerge (a place or area) with water.
- **6.** Water above the surface of the land, including lakes, rivers, streams, ponds, floodwater, and runoff.
- **8.** Unusually cold water temps in the pacific caused by strong easterly winds
- **12.** A warm ocean current that flows from the Gulf of Mexico northward through the Atlantic Ocean
- **14.** permanently dark layer of the oceans below the photic zone

- **15.** prevailing winds that blow from west to east between 30 degrees and 60 degrees latitude in both hemispheres
- **16.** a circular motion of water in each of the major ocean basins
- 17. a warm ocean current of variable intensity that develops after late December along the coast of Ecuador and Peru and sometimes causes catastrophic weather conditions.
- **18.** Deflect to the left towards the equator (Upward) and its Westerlies deflect to the right towards the south pole
- 19. Portion of the marine bio me that is shallow enough for sunlight to penetrate.20. A prolonged period of abnormally low rainfall; a shortage of water resulting from this.

## **Down**

**2.** Normal the warm water moves West and the cold water moves East

- **4.** A process whereby the degree of hotness of a body (or medium) changes
- **5.** Rain, snow, sleet, or hail that falls to the ground.
- **7.** A mass of mud and other earthy material that is falling or has fallen down a hillside or other slope.
- **9.** The weather conditions prevailing in an area in general or over a long period.
- **10.** The state of the atmosphere at a place and time as regards heat, dryness, sunshine, wind, rain, etc.
- 11. A general term used to describe both warm (El Niño) and cool (La Niña) ocean-atmosphere events in the tropical Pacific as well as the Southern Oscillation
- **13.** An ocean bordered by the American continents, Asia, and Australia: largest ocean in the world; divided by the equator into the North Pacific and the South Pacific.