**Guided Notes: Oceans and Climate**

The ocean plays a crucial role in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and redistribution of electromagnetic energy from the sun, significantly impacting weather and climate patterns.

**Key Concepts:**

• Oceans absorb sunlight to depths of up to \_\_\_\_\_\_ meters, unlike land which absorbs energy in a thin surface layer.

• Water has a specific heat capacity about \_\_\_\_\_\_ times that of land, allowing it to absorb more energy before its temperature rises significantly.

• Oceans cover approximately \_\_\_\_\_\_% of Earth's surface.

• \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the measure of how much light a surface reflects.

• The ocean is divided into three layers:

 1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ waters

 2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ocean

• The ocean exchanges \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with the atmosphere, driving weather patterns.

• Just the top \_\_\_\_\_\_ meters of the ocean store more heat than the entire atmosphere.

**Real World Examples:**

1. Coastal vs. Inland Temperatures: San Francisco experiences milder summers and winters compared to Stockton, which is \_\_\_\_\_\_ miles inland, due to the ocean's moderating effect.

2. Hurricane Formation: Hurricanes and typhoons draw energy from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ocean waters, demonstrating the ocean's impact on extreme weather events.

**Word Bank:**

reflection

absorption

storage

tens

four

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Albedo

surface

thermocline

deep

heat

carbon dioxide

moisture

three

60

warm