

A BRAIN FOR ALL SEASONS

HUMAN EVOLUTION & ABRUPT CLIMATE CHANGE



5°E 32°N 55°E 34°S 18°E

1°S 37°E 79°N 40°W 49°N 123°W

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Directions, Distances, Temperatures:

A westerly wind comes *from* the west, moving eastward.

Ocean currents, however, are described by the direction that the current would carry a ship *toward*.

An east wind and an east current thus flow in opposite directions. Don't blame the scientists for this one (it's an old maritime tradition); our peculiarities can be found in the extensive **glossary** starting at page 301.

For those who have to mentally recompute when traveling outside the non-metric countries (Burma, Liberia, and the United States): 16 kilometers is 10 miles, and a rise of 5°C is the same warming as 9°F. In the rest of the world, water freezes at 0°C and boils at 100°C, a comfortable outdoor air temperature is 25°C (77°F), and normal body temperature is a mere 37.0°C.