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FOCUS ON THE NORTHWEST AND ALASKA

1. Write a paragraph summarizing some of the harmful effects that climate change is having in the Northwest and Alaska.

2. Which solution described in Chapter 4 do you think is most helpful or important? Why?

- 3. How does El Niño affect the Northwest?
 - **A.** It makes the Northwest hotter and drier.
 - **B.** It makes the Northwest cooler and drier.
 - **C.** It brings heavy rain and flooding.
- 4. Why might hot, dry weather help wildfires start and spread?
 - **A.** Dried-out trees and plants can catch fire more easily.
 - **B.** Dried-out trees and plants can take longer to burn.
 - **C.** High temperatures help fires produce less smoke.

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Answer Key:

- 1. Answers will vary
- 2. Answers will vary
- **3**. A
- **4**. A