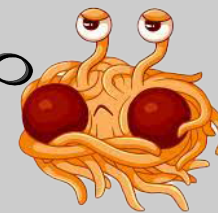
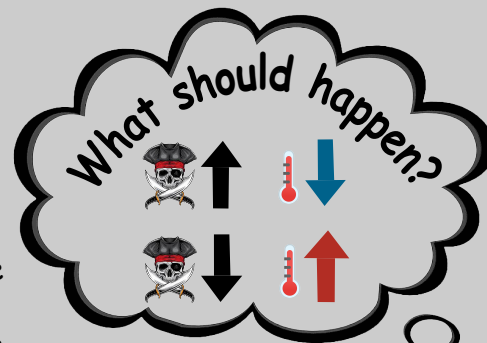
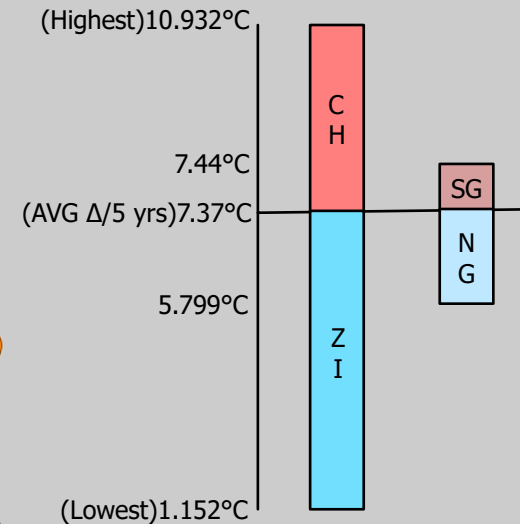


Pirates & Climate Change: A Pastafarian Correlation

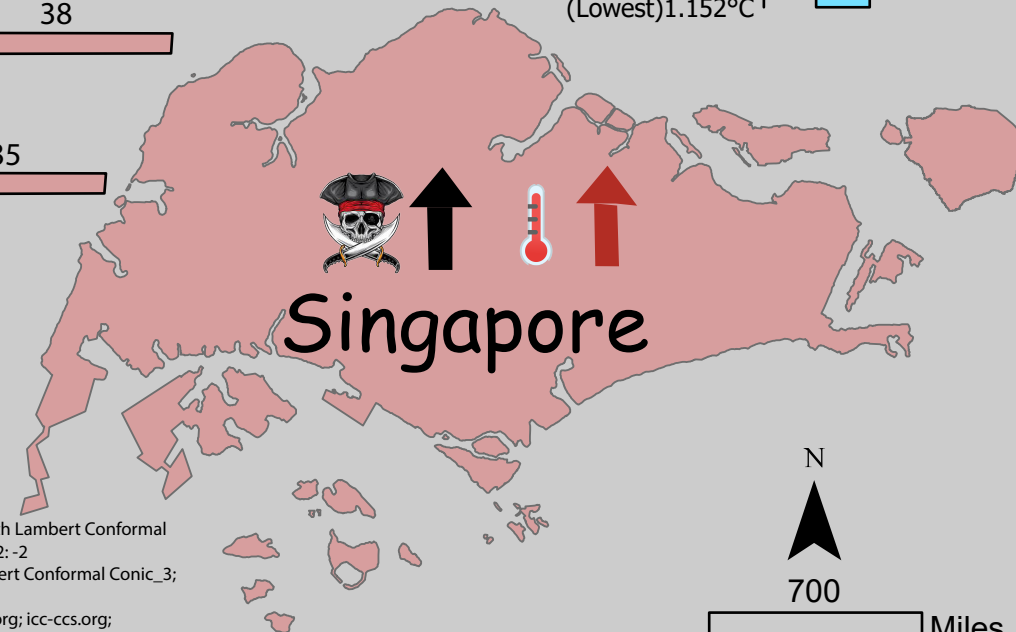
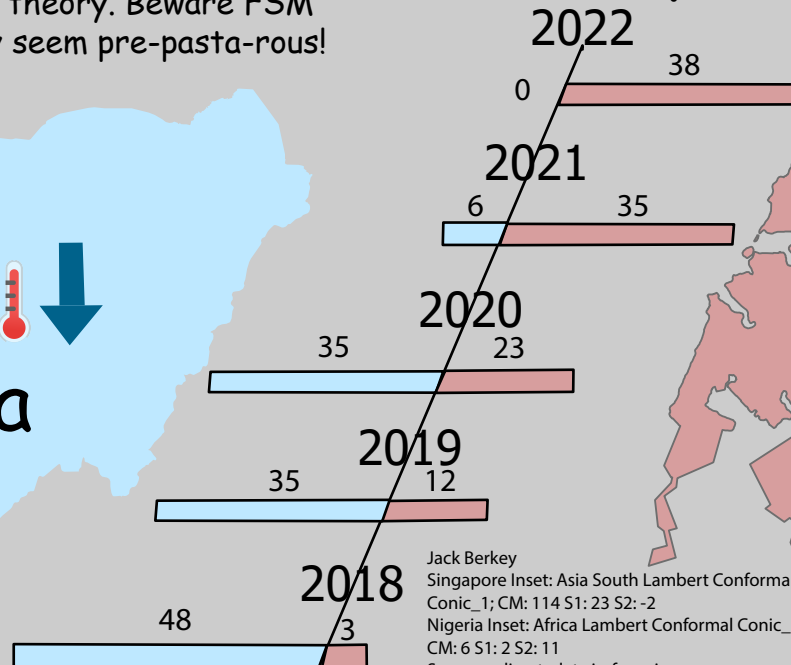
Are the dwindling numbers of swashbuckler and scallywags to blame for global warming? The Church of the Flying Spaghetti Monster seems to think so. Their god, the Flying Spaghetti Monster, has warned its followers of the impending climate crisis and its correlation with the loss of pirates on our seas. His Noodleness has dictated, therefor, that his followers will dawn pirate regalia regularly in order to offset the decrease in numbers. But will this work? Do pirates even stop global warming in the first place? Before the earth boils over and the pirates go extinct, we must find the answer. We observe Nigeria and Singapore, two countries with an inverse relationship with pirates over the last 5 years, and see if their average temperature reflects the theory. Beware FSM members, the results may seem pre-pasta-rous!



Temperature Δ Benchmark



Pirate Attacks per Year



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Singapore Inset: Asia South Lambert Conformal
Conic_1; CM: 114 S1: 23 S2: -2
Nigeria Inset: Africa Lambert Conformal Conic_3;
CM: 6 S1: 2 S2: 11
Sources: climatedata.imf.org; icc-ccs.org;
ncei.noaa.gov; naturalearthdata.com



700 Miles

*Insets are not made to scale