

# Habitats

Miss Ashley's Second Grade

# What is a habitat?

A habitat is a natural home for living things!

People, plants, animals, and other organisms live in them.

There are several different habitats in the world.

Let's look at some habitats!



# Desert

What comes to mind when you hear the word desert? Deserts are extremely dry and hot. They get less than 6 inches of water each year! Deserts don't have many plants because of the high temperatures and dry environment. Many animals are unable to live here as well.

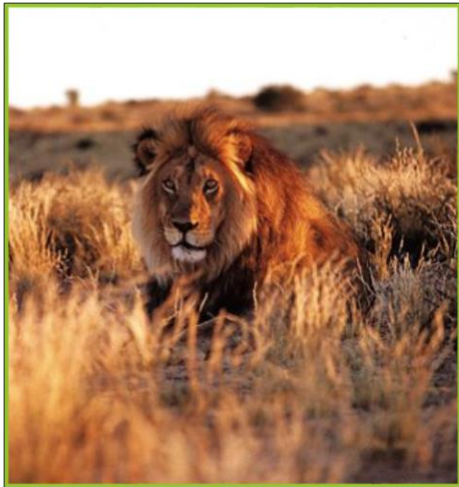
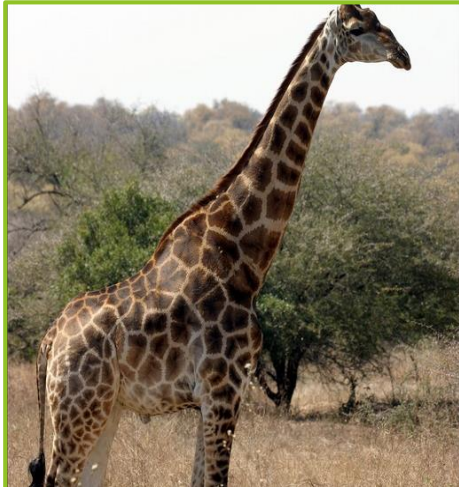




Animals that live in the desert usually have special traits to help them survive. Some animals you may find are camels, coyotes, mice, and snakes. The most common plant that can live in the desert is the cactus. It needs very little water to survive.



# Grassland



Grasslands are habitats that are flat and grassy. These areas aren't super dry or wet like others. It is a balanced habitat. Some examples of animals that live here are bison, elephants, giraffes, lions, rabbits, and zebras.





# Ocean

This is my favorite habitat! The ocean is the body of water that covers 70% of the Earth. The water in the ocean is saltwater. Since the ocean is so large, it is hard for scientists to explore it!





Some ocean animals live in shallow water near land. Others live in the deeper waters of the ocean. Crabs, dolphins, jellyfish, seahorses, sharks, and whales are examples of animals that live here.



# Rainforest



A rain forest is pretty easy to learn about. Yes, you guessed it! It is a forest that has a lot of rain! A rainforest is very damp and typically has a bunch of trees.



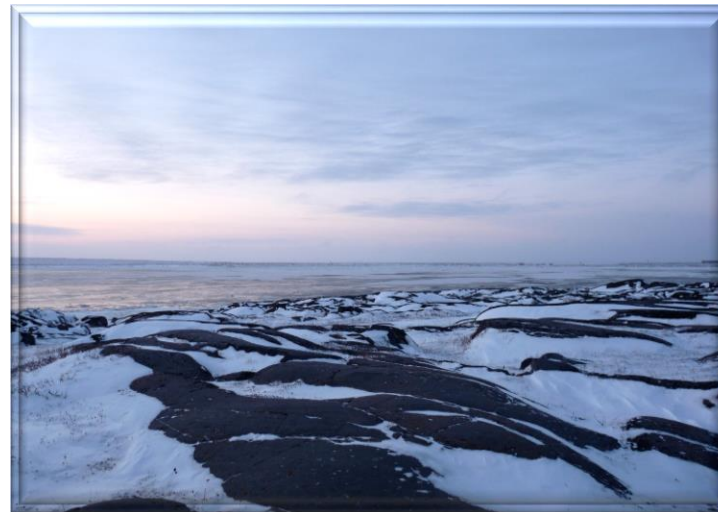
Usually, rainforests are in tropical areas. Some animals that live here are frogs, monkeys, snakes, tigers, and many insects.





# Tundra

The Tundra is the opposite of the desert! It is cold, snowy, and super windy. The Tundra never has warm seasons. Even summers here are cool there!





The Tundra is extremely cold. The animals that live here have to be able to survive the cold temperatures! Like the desert, animals in the Tundra have special traits to help them survive in their habitat. Examples of animals in the Tundra are foxes, penguins, polar bears, reindeer, and wolves.



Take a minute to think about the habitat you live in. Is our school a habitat? What about the classroom you are in now? Spend some time researching habitats and the organisms that live in them during your free time! Let me know what you learn from your research.

