

Animal Habitats: Where Animals Live

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Reading Time

A habitat is the place where an animal lives. A habitat gives an animal food, water, and shelter. Every animal has a habitat that fits its needs.

Forests have many trees. Deer, owls, and squirrels live in forests. They find nuts, leaves, and small animals to eat.

Deserts are hot and dry. Camels and lizards live there. They can live with very little water.

The ocean is a big, salty water habitat. Fish, whales, and crabs live in the ocean. They are made for life in water.

The Arctic is icy and cold. Polar bears and seals live there. Their thick fur and fat keep them warm.

Grasslands are open and covered with grass. Zebras and lions live in grasslands. There is lots of grass for animals to eat.

Reading Questions

1. What is a habitat?

2. What three things does a habitat give an animal?

3. Which habitat is hot and dry?

4. How do polar bears stay warm in the Arctic?

Vocabulary Grid

Write what each word means in your own words.

habitat _____	shelter _____
forest _____	desert _____
ocean _____	grassland _____

Match the Animal to Its Home

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Habitat Sort

Write each animal under its habitat: **polar bear, camel, deer, whale, zebra, lizard, owl, seal, lion, crab**

Forest	Desert	Ocean	Arctic	Grassland

True or False

Circle T for true or F for false.

Statement	T	F
A habitat gives an animal food, water, and shelter.	T	F
Camels live in the ocean.	T	F
The Arctic is icy and cold.	T	F
Grasslands are covered with trees.	T	F
Whales live in a water habitat.	T	F
Every animal has a habitat that fits its needs.	T	F

Drawing

Draw one animal in each habitat. Label the animal.

Forest

Desert

Ocean

Think About It

Why could a polar bear NOT live in the desert?

Habitat Fill-In and Hunt

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Fill in the Blanks

Word Bank:

- habitat
- water
- desert
- ocean
- fur
- grass

1. The place where an animal lives is its _____.
2. A habitat gives an animal food, _____, and shelter.
3. The _____ is hot and dry.
4. Fish and whales live in the _____.
5. Thick _____ keeps Arctic animals warm.
6. Zebras eat the _____ in grasslands.

Animal Habitat Hunt

Think of animals you know. Fill in the chart.

Animal	Its Habitat	One thing it eats there

Challenge

Pick your favorite habitat. Why would you like to visit it?

Science Journal

Write one new thing you learned about habitats today.