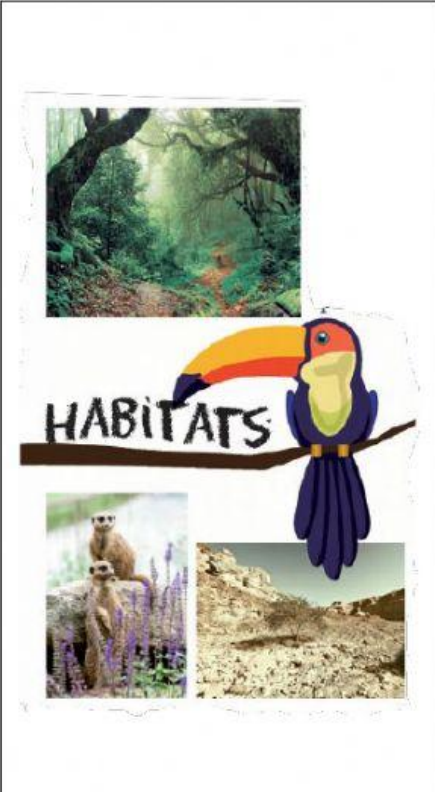


## THE NATURAL WORLD – DESCRIBING HABITATS

### 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

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|  | <p>A habitat is the type of environment in which plants and animals live. A habitat is dictated by the climate and the geography.</p> <p>Deserts, rainforests and mountains are all examples of habitats where you can find particular types of plants and animals.</p> <p>Deserts have a dry climate with few plants. There are extremely hot days and very cold nights. It may appear that deserts do not have many animals or plants, but a closer inspection can reveal high biodiversity. Many of the animals that live here are nocturnal. The vizcacha is an animal that lives in the desert.</p> <p>Tropical rainforests are humid and warm. It always rains a lot, and they have an incredible diversity of life. There you can see a lot of types of animals and plants, too. Sloths live in tropical rainforests.</p> <p>In the mountains the temperatures are normally low. At very high altitudes there is also less oxygen, making life difficult for both animals and plants. Animals that live in the mountains usually know how to climb or fly. The puma is an example.</p> |
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#### 1. READ THE TEXT AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS.

Lee el texto y responde las preguntas.

- a) What factors determine a habitat? \_\_\_\_\_
- b) What do you think the word "biodiversity" means? Can you find a synonym phrase in the text? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- c) What makes life difficult in the mountains? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- d) What animal can live in the desert? \_\_\_\_\_
- e) What animal can live in the tropical rainforest? \_\_\_\_\_
- f) What animal can live in the mountain? \_\_\_\_\_

**2. COMPLETE THESE SENTENCES WITH THE MISSING WORDS (THE FIRST LETTER IS GIVEN AS A CLUE.)**

Completa las oraciones con la palabra faltante (está la primera letra de la palabra como pista.)

- a) Deserts, tropical rainforests, and mountains are types of natural h\_\_\_\_\_.
- b) Every habitat has specific types of a\_\_\_\_\_ and plants.
- c) Deserts are d\_\_\_\_\_ and have a few p\_\_\_\_\_.
- d) Tropical rainforests have a h\_\_\_\_\_ and w\_\_\_\_\_ climate.
- e) Life in the m\_\_\_\_\_ is difficult.
- f) The temperature in the mountains is usually l\_\_\_\_\_.

**3. DESCRIBE THE FOLLOWING HABITATS WRITING CHARACTERISTICS IN ITS DESCRIPTIONS AND ANIMALS THAT CAN LIVE THERE.**

Describe los siguientes hábitats escribiendo características en sus descripciones y animales que pueden vivir allí.

| HABITAT   | DESCRIPTION | ANIMALS |
|-----------|-------------|---------|
| GRASSLAND |             |         |
| SEA       |             |         |
| FOREST    |             |         |