



Spotlight 5

Reading Task 5918

Read the texts and tick the climate (climates) they refer to.

	Desert	Tundra
It doesn't rain very often.		
It's very cold even during summertime.		
The night temperatures are below zero.		
Not many kinds of plants can live there.		
There's no sun during the winter.		
It can be hot in the morning but freezing cold in the evening.		

HOT DESERT CLIMATE

Deserts are usually very hot all year round with temperatures over 45 degrees C.

They have very little rain and have very long dry periods. At night temperatures drop to below zero. Only plants and animals that can hold or preserve water can survive in such climate.



TUNDRA CLIMATE

Cold weather and low temperatures characterize the tundra climate all the year round. The winter season is long and hard with severe frost and the sun doesn't appear in the sky for weeks. During the long winter months, it is dark and temperatures drop below 35 degrees C.

A short summer season exists, but it lasts only from 6 to 10 weeks and the temperature is only about 0 degrees C. The sun shines almost all the day during this season so the people call the tundra "The land of the midnight sun".

Nearly no plants can survive in the tundra and only a few animals live here.

