

# Vocabulary The Natural world

- Match the words to the definitions.

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riverbed	lush	a. <input type="text"/> <i>adj.</i> having lots of trees, plants, and grass
mountain	dry	b. <input type="text"/> <i>adj.</i> dry land where plants cannot grow
barren	wasteland	c. <input type="text"/> <i>adj.</i> having a rocky, irregular surface
desert	sandy	d. <input type="text"/> <i>adj.</i> with little or no rainfall or humidity
rugged		e. <input type="text"/> <i>adj.</i> full of or covered with sand
		f. <input type="text"/> <i>n.</i> the ground at the bottom of a river
		g. <input type="text"/> <i>n.</i> a large area of land with few plants and little water where the weather is always dry
		h. <input type="text"/> <i>n.</i> a large natural elevation of the earth's surface which rises higher than the surrounding land
		i. <input type="text"/> <i>n.</i> an unused area of land where nothing can grow or be built

Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

- The soil near rivers is usually very  *▼*, which is why many civilizations have flourished there.
- Wildfires can destroy acres of  *▼*, especially during the dry season.
- It is usually humid and difficult to travel through a  *▼*, as the vegetation there is very dense.
- ▼* land is dry and plants cannot grow there.
- The surface of Mars is described as a  *▼*, with features similar to those on Earth.
- They built a castle on a  *▼* which allowed them to see if enemies were going to attack.
- It is the biggest in the country and you can enjoy waterskiing, sailing, or fishing on the  *▼*.
- It doesn't rain during the  *▼* season.

1 Match the columns to make word pairs from the article.

a. sandy	<input type="text"/> riverbeds
b. dry	<input type="text"/> wasteland
c. rugged	<input type="text"/> deserts
d. barren	<input type="text"/> vegetation
e. lush	<input type="text"/> mountains

2 Underline the unrelated word in each group. Use your dictionary as needed.

a. flowers	vegetation	grass	dry
b. woods	plateau	forest	jungle
c. mountain	lake	river	sea
d. barren	rugged	fertile	desert