



FORESTS



There are 3 types of forests in the Forest Biome

Tropical Rainforest

- *Flourish in the tropic regions around the Equator
- *Sun shines 12 hours a day
- *Daytime temperature hovers around 80 degrees
- *It rains between 100 and 150 inches a year
- *More than a million kinds of plants and animals live and grow in these forests
- *Rainforest trees absorb carbon dioxide from the air

Coniferous

- *Cone-bearing trees such as firs, spruces, and hemlocks
- *These trees grow waxy, needlelike leaves that do not fall (evergreen trees)
- *Long, cold winters, dry summers
- *Also called taiga and boreal forests
- *Cover a large part of Earth's surface
- *1/3 of Earth's forests

Deciduous

- *Broadleaf forests
- *Trees change colors in autumn and fall
- *Oaks, maples, elms, beeches, Aspens, hickory
- *Fallen leaves decay and return nutrients to the soil
- *Also called Temperate Forests
- *Lots of moisture in summer-time
- *Mid-elevation areas of the world have this type of forest

Answer questions below from the readings above

What are the 3 types of Forests in the Forest Biome?

How many inches of rain usually falls in a rainforest?



Where can you find most of the world's tropical forests?

How do the trees in the rainforest help the world?

What kind of trees grow in a coniferous forest?

What are 2 other names for a coniferous forest?

What are 2 other names for a deciduous forest?

Name 3 trees that grow in a deciduous forest