

BIOMES (Viewing tasks)

Watch the video on biomes and complete the tasks.

Task 1. Decide which statements are True and which are False.

1. The tundra is the warmest biome on Earth. T / F
2. Temperate rainforests receive a lot of rainfall throughout the year. T / F
3. Chaparral biomes are characterized by cool, moist winters and hot, dry summers. T / F
4. Deserts can have both hot and cold temperatures. T / F
5. Aquatic biomes are defined by the type of vegetation they contain. T / F
6. Coral reefs are found in warm, shallow waters near coastlines. T / F
7. Estuaries are areas where freshwater and saltwater meet. T / F

Task 2. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate words from the word bank below.

freshwater, tundra, permafrost, germination, taiga, deciduous, precipitation, temperate, chaparral, savanna, tropical, rainforest, marine, terrestrial, intertidal, pelagic, estuary, aquatic, brackish

1. _____ biomes are defined by the type of vegetation present.
2. The _____ is the coldest biome, characterized by _____, or permanently frozen soil.
3. The _____ or boreal forest is south of the tundra and dominated by coniferous trees.
4. _____ forests have hot summers and cold winters, and the trees lose their leaves annually.
5. _____ rainforests receive high amounts of _____ throughout the year.
6. The _____ biome, also known as shrubland, is adapted to frequent fires.
7. _____ are dry areas with little rainfall, while _____ are tropical grasslands with wet and dry seasons.
8. _____ biomes are defined by the type of water they contain.
9. Rivers, lakes, and wetlands are examples of _____ biomes.
10. Oceans are large _____ bodies of water.

11. The _____ zone is the area between land and ocean, affected by tides.

12. The _____ zone is the open ocean.

13. An _____ is where freshwater and saltwater mix, creating _____ water.

14. Many chaparral plants rely on fire for the _____ of their seeds.