# Earth's Greatest Ecosystems

The Earth is home to **many** amazing places, 1) [redacted] three of 2) _____ (incredible) are the Sahara Desert, the Amazon Rainforest, 3) [redacted] the Great Barrier Reef. They are very different from each other, 4) [redacted] each one is beautiful in its own way.

The Sahara Desert is 5) _____ (large) hot desert in the world. It is **much** 6) _____ (hot) 7) [redacted] 8) _____ (dry) than the Amazon Rainforest 9) [redacted] the Great Barrier Reef. During the day, temperatures can rise to more than 50°C, 10) [redacted] at night they become a lot 11) _____ (cold). The Sahara receives very little rain, 12) [redacted] it has 13) _____ (few) trees 14) [redacted] plants than the Amazon. However, many animals, such as camels, foxes, snakes 15) [redacted] spiders, have adapted to live in this extremely dry environment.

In contrast, the Amazon Rainforest is 16) _____ (large) tropical rainforest on Earth. It is 17) _____ (wet) 18) [redacted] **much more** 19) _____ (green) than the Sahara. It also has far more trees, rivers 20) [redacted] wildlife. In fact, the Amazon is one of 21) _____ (green) places on the planet, 22) [redacted] it receives a lot of rain every year. It is home to millions of <u>insects</u> and thousands of species of <u>birds</u>, <u>mammals</u>, <u>reptiles</u> 23) [redacted] <u>fish</u>. Because of its incredible biodiversity, the Amazon is one of 24) _____ (important) ecosystems in the world.

The Great Barrier Reef is 25) _____ (big) coral reef system on Earth, 26) [redacted] it is 27) _____ (small) than the Amazon Rainforest. The reef is located in quite warm tropical waters 28) [redacted] is home to more than 1.500 species of <u>fish</u>, 29) [redacted] less than 6.000 species of <u>mollusks</u>. It has more marine species than most coral reefs in the world, 30) [redacted] it is one of 31) _____ (rich) underwater ecosystems on Earth.

**What species do they belong to?**

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