

What is a habitat?

A habitat is a place where plants, insects, and animals live. Animals, insects or bugs and plants all have similar needs. They all need water, food, air and shelter to survive. Some survive best in warm habitats, and others survive best in cold habitats. Some can live in places with four seasons, while others cannot.



Here is a desert habitat. It is dry because it does not rain much there. It is a hot habitat. There are very few plants. An explorer might expect to see cactus plants, insects like ants, snakes, and sometimes coyotes.

Another kind of habitat is an ocean habitat. Oceans are saltwater habitats. An explorer might find small, colorful fish, coral, animals with shells, and large mammals like sharks and dolphins.



Directions: Choose one of these habitats: **pond, grassland, river, tundra, mountain, rainforest, woodland forest, desert, or ocean** and draw a picture below. Include plants, animals, and insects that would live in that habitat.

