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Biomes

Key Vocabulary	
biomes	large areas of our planet that have similar climates, plants and animals
climate	the usual weather patterns in a place
environment	everything around us where plants, animals and humans live, including the air, temperature and soil conditions
vegetation belt	a large area where plants and trees grow in a similar pattern because of the climate and soil conditions
desert	a large, dry area of land where very little rain falls
tropical forests	forests that are warm and wet all year round
temperate forests	Forests that have different seasons with cool winters and warm summers
boreal forests	cold forests, found mostly near the North Pole

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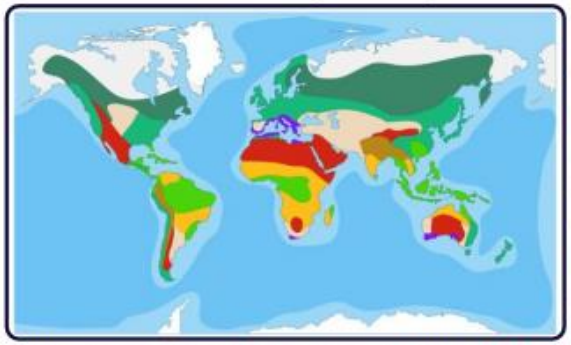


A biome is a large area of our planet that has a similar climate, plants, and animals.

Different types of biomes include forest biomes, desert biomes, tundra biomes, grassland biomes, and aquatic biomes.

Vegetation Belts

A vegetation belt is a large area where certain types of plants grow due to climate, soil, and other environmental conditions.

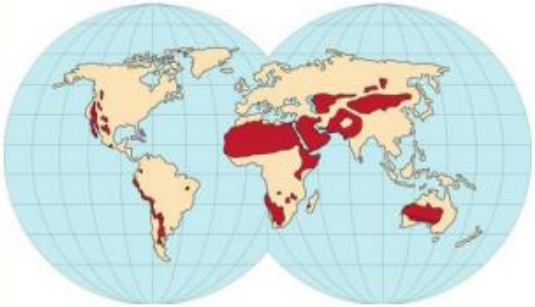






Cacti grow in desert vegetation belts. Mosses and lichens grow in tundra vegetation belts.

Deserts around the world



Sahara Desert (Africa)
Gobi Desert (Asia)
Atacama Desert (South America)
Great Sandy Desert (Australia)
Antarctic Desert (Antarctica)

Forest biomes



Tropical forest – warm and wet



Temperate forest – has 4 seasons



Boreal forest – near North Pole

Tundra biomes



Tundra biomes are cold and dry with little vegetation. Permafrost (permanently frozen ground) prevents deep plant roots. Animals have thick fur and fat to stay warm.