Habitats

Lots of wild activities about habitats.

National curriculum links to Geography and Science







Please note this pack contains activities for a mix of ages and school years.





Habitat facts

A habitat is an animals home. It provides them with food, water and shelter.

There are lots of different habitats from grassland to desert and forests to coral reefs.

Different animals prefer different habitats and all those that live there live well together as they all do things to keep the habitat healthy and in balance

Sadly people are causing many habitats around the world to disappear. Forests are being burnt down, lakes and rivers polluted and the polar ice caps are melting. Without our help, these habitats and the animals that live in them could become extinct.





Wild wordsearch

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Desert
Ecosystem
Food
Grassland

Tundra
Water
Forest
Ocean
Shelter

Habitat Rainforest Rock pool Underground

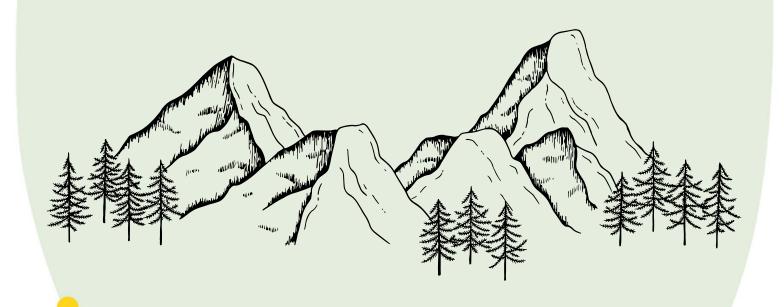




Whose home?

Choose and draw three animals that live in the habitats below.

Mountain slopes and forest

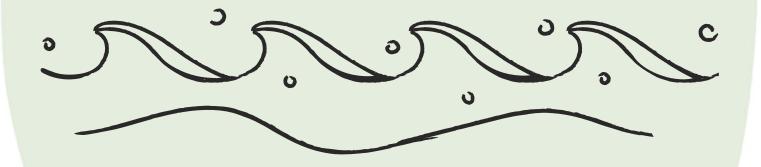






Whose home?

Ocean







Whose home?

Grassland







Make a habitat!

Plant a mini wildflower meadow

Build a pond

Plant a tree or hedge

Make a leaf or log pile

Create a compost heap







Where do I live?

Draw a line to match the animal and their habitat.

Snowy Owl

Rocky shore

Worm

Desert

Sloth

Tundra

Sidewinder snake

Garden

Hedgehog

Rainforest

Hermit Crab

Soil or compost





Adaptation

Some habitats are pretty tough to live in!
Animals adapt special features and behaviours to help them survive there.

For example Polar Bears have black skin to help them keep warm and white fur so they can camouflage. A lot of desert animals are nocturnal as it is cooler at night and big ears to help them release heat from their bodies.

Think about physical and behavioural adaptations animals that live in the habitats on the pages below have.

Then design your own super animal with special features to help them survive and thrive!

Remember to label you features and behaviours.





Rainforest

Habitat features:

Very wet, lots of trees, humid, lots of predators, lots of competition



Desert

Habitat features:

Dry, hot, little rain, not many plants, sandy, hard to find food



Tundra

Habitat features:

Cold, not much other life, seasonal plant growth, no trees, windy.



Rocky mountain slopes

Habitat features:

Rocky, steep, very changeable, no plants high up, food scarce.





Answers and extra activities

Where do I live?- Answers

Snowy Owl- Tundra, **Worm**- Soil/compost, **Sloth**-Rainforest, **Sidewinder Snake**- Desert, **Hedgehog**-Garden, **Hermit crab**- Rocky shore

Extra activities

- How many habitats are in your garden? Can you find any mini beasts in their natural habitat?
- Make some habitats of our own in a shoe box, use plastic animals and bits and bobs from the garden or round the house.
 - When out on your daily walk how many habitats can you spot?
 - -Think of an animal, where does it live? What adaptations does it have?
 - Research animals that have adapted to live in an urban environment. How have they changed?



