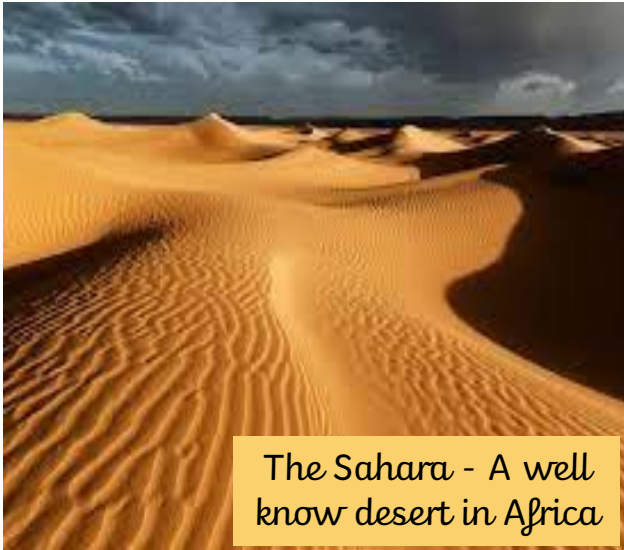


World Map of Biomes

Deserts

Deserts generally get 10 inches or less rain in a year. Deserts have a lack of water. They have dry soil. They are so dry that sometimes rain evaporates before it can hit the ground!



The Sahara - A well know desert in Africa

Key Vocabulary	Definition
Biome	A large naturally occurring community of flora and fauna occupying a major habitat, e.g. forest or tundra.
Habitat	the natural home or environment of an animal, plant, or other organism.
Temperature	How hot or cold a certain area is.
Landscape	All of the visible features of an area of land.
Precipitation	Rainfall
Vegetation	The plants and trees that grow in a certain place.



Rainforest

The Amazon Rainforest is found in South America.

Rainforests are wet places that get lots of rain throughout the year. They are near the Equator. This means they get very hot and humid. They are home to lots of plants and animals.



Savanna

Savannas are types of grasslands. They have dry and rainy seasons. They are home to large herds of animals that graze on the grass and trees. Savannas are often warm all year round but cool a little in the dry season.



Temperate Forest

Forests are home to lots and lots of trees. In a forest there are 4 seasons, summer, autumn, winter and spring. The land is very fertile, meaning lots of new plants can grow. Temperate Forests are found in many locations around the world.



Tundra

A Tundra is generally a cold and dry place. They are barren, which means not many plants grow in these places. They have a permafrost (The layer under the soil is frozen all year round).

