

# Habitats Unit

The image shows three worksheet pages for a habitats unit, each featuring a title, a descriptive text box, and a writing section with numbered questions.

**The Desert**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

The Desert is a very dry habitat. It has sand dunes, mountains, and deserts. The temperature in the desert can be very hot during the day and very cold at night. Plants and animals have special ways of surviving in this dry habitat. Plants don't grow very tall in the desert. Seeds stay underground during the hot summer, and then they grow quickly once it rains. Animals have special adaptations to the heat, such as extra fat and fur. Some desert animals are snakes, lizards, and desert tortoises.

1. Describe the climate in the desert.
2. How do animals survive in the desert?
3. Explain what type of things you might see in the desert.

**The Arctic**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

The Arctic is a very cold habitat. It is around the North Pole. There are different types of landforms in the Arctic, such as mountains, lakes, and prairies. The temperature in the Arctic is very, very cold. The winter drops below zero and remains below freezing for a long while. Parts of the Arctic stay dark for months at a time. This is because of how the earth aligns with the sun. Snow and ice are very popular types of precipitation to find there. Plants and animals have special ways of surviving in this cold habitat. Plants don't grow very tall in the Arctic. Seeds stay underground during the cold winter, and then they grow quickly once it warms up. Animals have special adaptations to the cold, such as extra fat and fur. Some Arctic animals are seals, polar bears, and Arctic hares and foxes.

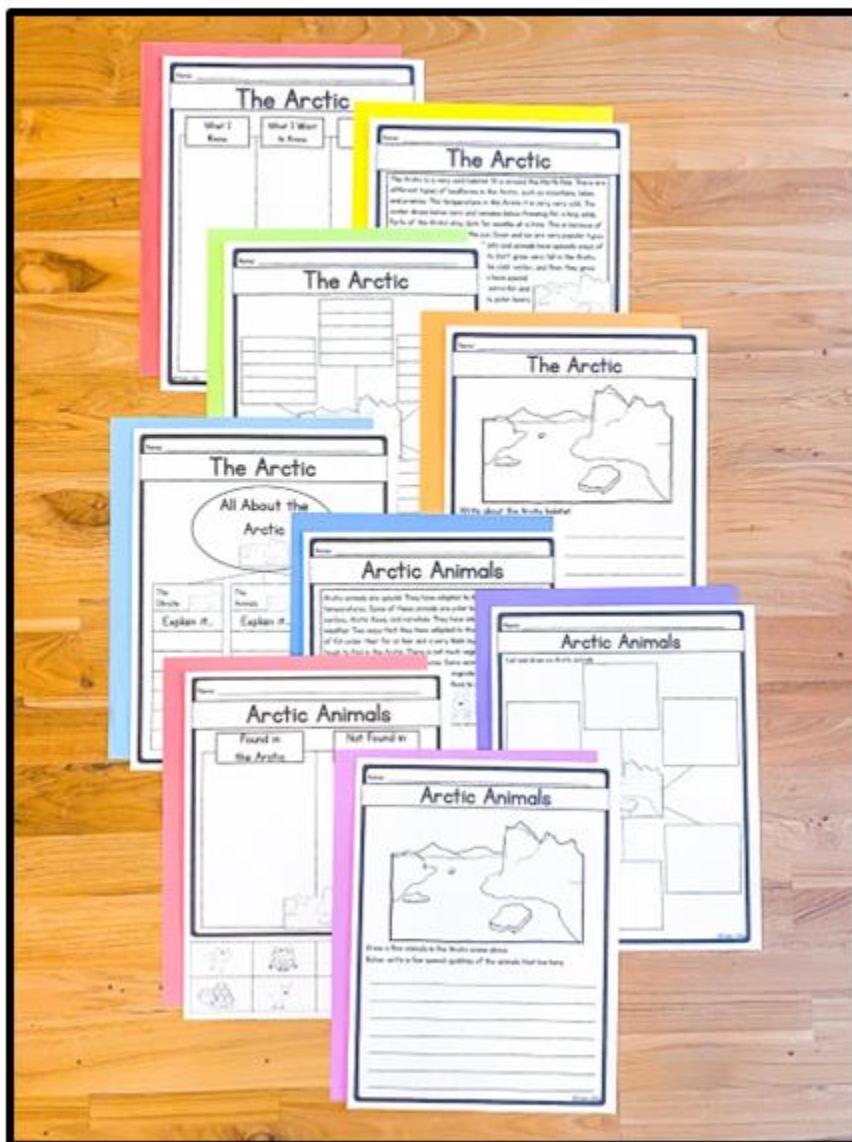
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2. How do animals survive in the Arctic?
3. Explain what type of things you might see in the Arctic.

**Ponds**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Write about a pond habitat.

# What Teachers Have Said...



**"This was the perfect resource to use for my unit on habitats. I used the reading passages as a full group activity where students volunteered to read two sentences at a time. There were differentiated tasks within each habitat which allowed to provide each student what they needed."**

**"Great addition for research for our habitat projects! We don't really get curriculum, so I used this throughout the entire unit. It is worth the purchase for sure!"**

**"The passages are easy to read and my students are able to read and research the habitat of their choice. I also love all of the graphic organizers!"**

# Topics Covered

This Habitats unit is intended to be used as a supplemental resource for your science unit.

## Topics Covered:

- What are Habitats?
- Numerous Habitats

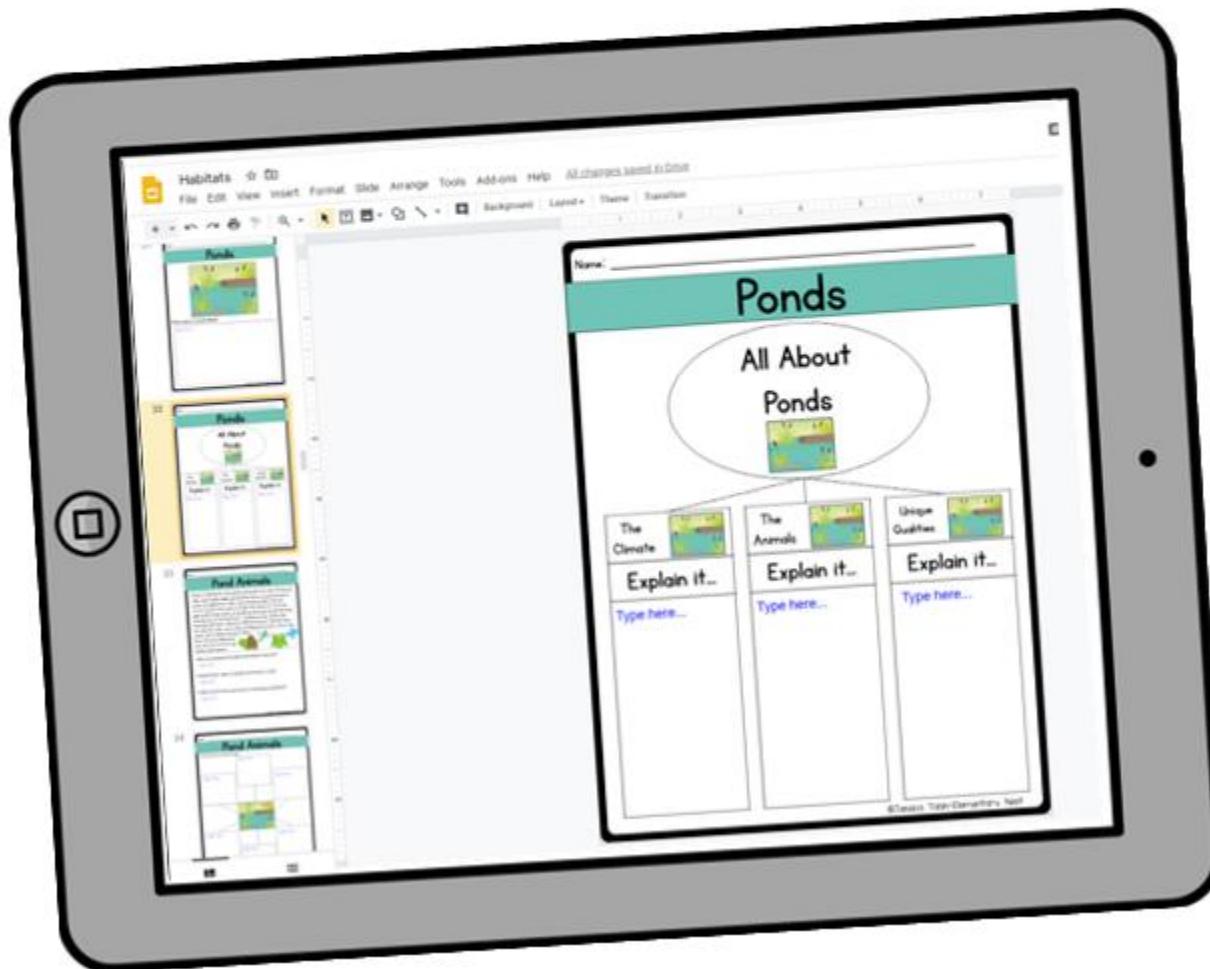
## Types of Resources Included:

- KWL Charts
- Passages
- Comprehension worksheets
- Fact writing worksheets
- Writing Pages



# Digital Conversion

The passages and worksheets have been digitally converted to Google Slides.



# Intro and Arctic

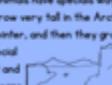
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<h1>Habitats</h1>		
<b>What I Know</b>	<b>What I Want to Know</b>	<b>What I Learned</b>
Name: _____		

Name: _____	Habitats	Name: _____
<p>A habitat is a special place in the world where plants live. Plants and animals get everything they need if they live in. There are different types of habitats, different types of weather, climates, plants, and many different types of habitats around the world. tiny pond, while others can be as large as the ocean. most common are the Arctic, the grasslands, the and woods, and oceans. Within each habitat, there food, shelter, and space for animals and plants to use. Certain animals can only live in certain habitats. For example, a frog or lizard cannot survive in a cold habitat, but while penguins need a cold habitat to survive.</p>		
I. What is a habitat?		

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# The Arctic

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This is a worksheet titled "The Arctic". It features a large drawing of a polar bear standing on a block of ice. To the right of the bear is a north pole sign with the word "NORTH POLE" written on it. The title "The Arctic" is centered at the top in a large, bold font. There are several empty boxes for writing, one large box for drawing, and a small box for writing.

The Arctic

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Write about the Arctic habitat.

The Arctic

All About the Arctic

The Climate

The Animals

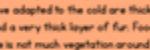
Explain it

Unique Qualities

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Arctic Animals

Arctic animals are special. They have adapted to live below freezing temperatures. Some of these animals are polar bears, seals, walruses, caribou, Arctic foxes, and narwhals. They have adapted to the cold weather. Two ways that they have adapted to the cold are thick layers of fat under their fur or hair and a very thick layer of fur. Food is tough to find in the Arctic. There is not much vegetation around because of the extreme temperatures. Some animals adapt to this in different ways. The caribou, for example, migrate during the cold winter to find warmer temperatures and food to eat. Polar bears, on the other hand, hunt for a lot of food before the winter and can survive for months without a



A worksheet titled "Arctic Animals" with a drawing of a polar bear at the bottom. It features six large, empty boxes for drawing and a smaller box for writing the name.

Name: _____	Arctic Animals	
	Found in the Arctic	Not Found in the Arctic
		

A worksheet titled "Arctic Animals" featuring a large drawing area at the top for drawing polar animals like polar bears and arctic foxes. Below the drawing area, there is a box containing the text "Draw a few animals in the Arctic scene above." and another box containing the text "Below, write a few special qualities of the animals that live here." The page is designed for children to draw and write about arctic life.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to live in the Arctic? Explain.



Name: _____	
<h1>The Arctic</h1>	
<b>True</b>	<b>False</b>
	

Only seals and penguins can live in the Arctic.	The Arctic has many hot days.	Some animals leave the Arctic when it gets cold.
Snow and ice only last for a few months in the Arctic.	Seals and walruses live in the Arctic.	Some days have no sunlight.
Arcticoles have made no adaptations to live there.	The Arctic has very cold temperatures.	Only harbour seals live in the Arctic.

# Deserts

Name: _____	
<h1>The Desert</h1>	
<b>What I Know</b>	<b>What I Want to Know</b>
<p>The desert is a unique habitat. It's unique because it is very dry. Temperatures in the desert can get very high. There is also very little rain. Only some plants can survive in the desert. They have made adaptations to survive in this extreme heat. For example, cacti have stems that hold a lot of water inside of them to keep the plant hydrated in the dry desert. Animals need water, so the animals in the desert must get water, such as from bugs or cacti. Lizards, birds, snakes, spiders, and foxes are animals that live in the desert.</p> <p>1. What makes the desert unique?</p> <hr/> <hr/> <p>2. What are some examples of plants and animals in the desert?</p> <hr/> <hr/>	

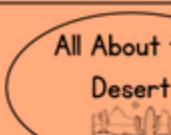
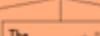
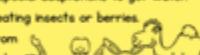
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# The Desert

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# The D

Write about the desert habitat.

Name: _____	
<h1>The Desert</h1>	
<p>All About the Desert</p> 	
<p>The Climate</p>  <b>Explain it...</b> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>The Animals</p>  <b>Explain it...</b> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<h2>Desert Animals</h2>	
<p>Desert animals have made special adaptations to live in their harsh habitat. Deserts are very hot and dry. Some animals that live in this habitat are camels, rattlesnakes, vultures, ostriches, hares, and scorpions. Many animals avoid the extreme heat by sleeping during the day and being active at night when the sun is no longer out. There is not a lot of water or rain in the desert, so these animals have to make special adaptations to get water. Some animals get water from eating insects or berries. Some can even collect water from plants or burrow into the ground to find water.</p> 	
<p>1. Why is the desert hard to survive in?</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	
<p>2. Identify a few desert animals.</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ the desert heat?

# Desert Animal

List and draw six desert animals.

Found in  
the Desert


Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Desert Animals

Draw a few animals in the desert scene above.  
Below, write a few adaptations that animals have made.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## The De

Write an informational magazine article about desert animals.

Below, write a few adaptations that animals have made.

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Would you like to live in the desert? Explain.							
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<p>Desserts are easy for animals and plants to live in.</p> <p>The desert is very hot and very dry.</p> <p>Animals can get water from other animals and plants.</p>	<p>Some animals are nocturnal in the desert.</p> <p>There are more animals that live here than in the rainforest.</p> <p>There is a lot of shade that animals can seek in the desert.</p>	<p>There is a lot of rainfall in the desert.</p> <p>The sun is very hot and powerful in the desert.</p> <p>There are unique adaptations that animals have made to live here.</p>					

# Ponds

Name: _____	
What I Know	What I Want to Know

Name: _____	<h1>Ponds</h1>
<p>Ponds are small bodies of water found in many areas of the world because they have freshwater different from lakes because they are so shallow, the water throughout the entire pond. Most freshwater, such as amphibian ponds, there is a lot of vegetation, trees, flowers, bushes, and grass a lot of water to offer the animals that live there.</p>	
<p>1. How is a pond different from a lake?</p> <hr/> <hr/>	
<p>2. What animals can be found in a pond?</p> <hr/> <hr/>	
<p>3. What is a pond?</p> <hr/> <hr/>	
	
<p>Name: _____</p> <h2>Pond Animals</h2>	

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# Ponds

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Ponds

All About  
Ponds

Write about a pond habitat

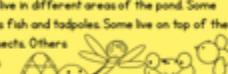
The Climate      The Animals

Explain it...      Explain it...

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Pond Animals

Ponds are habitats for many plants and animals. The water is fresh, not salty, and is usually shallow and still. Since there is a great amount of water and vegetation to offer, many animals are able to live and survive in ponds. Some ponds are larger than others, but most stay quite small. A large variety of animals can be found in ponds. All of the animal groups can be found there: amphibians, birds, reptiles, fish, mammals, and insects. They live in different areas of the pond. Some live under the water, such as fish and tadpoles. Some live on top of the water, such as ducks and insects. Others live in the surrounding areas near the pond, such as frogs, turtles, and raccoons.



1. Why are ponds great for plants and animals to live near?

Exp \_\_\_\_\_

2. Identify what types of animals can be found in a pond.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Pond An

List and draw six pond animals.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Pond

Found in  
Ponds

3. What is a pond?		Name: _____
<h2>Pond Animals</h2>  <p>Draw a few animals in the pond scene above. Below, write a few special qualities of the animals.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>		
<b>Found in Ponds</b>     		<b>Not Found in Ponds</b>     
		

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# Rainforests

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Rainforests

Rainforests are habitats that are found all over the world. Given the name rainforest, that means it rains a lot here. Many animals and plants thrive there. Tell them about the climate of a rainforest. Rainforests are found in Africa, Asia, Australia, and Central and South America. They surround the Equator, which is the middle line around the earth. It stays very sunny all year long there. Most rainforests get at least 80 inches of rain a year.

1. What is the climate like in a rainforest?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Why can many animals and plants live there?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Why?  
\_\_\_\_\_

What I Know \_\_\_\_\_

What I Want to Know \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Rainforests



Write about the rainforest habitat.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Rainforests

### All About the Rainforests



The Climate \_\_\_\_\_ Explain It...  
The Animals \_\_\_\_\_ Explain It...

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Rainforest Animals

Some very unique plants and animals can reside in the rainforests of the world. Birds, insects, mammals, fish, amphibians, and reptiles are all found in rainforests. Since the rain and climate is great for animal survival, many animals can thrive there. A few examples of common rainforest animals are tree frogs, butterflies, jaguars, pythons, monkeys, toucans, and many types of insects and fish. There are more animals found in the rainforest than any other habitat around the world. A rainforest can be split into layers. At the top is the canopy. Many birds and other animals live here. The floor is at the very bottom. The understory is the area between the canopy and the floor. Less sunshine reaches here.



1. What kinds of animals can be found in a rainforest?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Why can many plants and animals live there?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Rainforest Animals

Found in the Rainforests	Not Found in
_____	_____

Write an informational magazine article about rainforests.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## The Rainforest

Would you like to live in a rainforest? Explain.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Rainforest

True	False
_____	_____

Rainforests have less rain than deserts.  
Rainforests are located in warm areas.  
Hardly any plants can survive in the rainforest.  
The climate of a rainforest is warm and wet.  
There are only a few animals that live here.  
There are tons of plants and animals there.  
Animals only live in one layer of the rainforest.  
All the animal groups can be found there.

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# Oceans

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## The Ocean

The ocean is the largest habitat in the world. Water covers 70% of the earth's surface, and most of that water is in the ocean. There are thousands of animals that live in the ocean. Scientists believe that there are more than 200,000 different types of animals in the ocean. Many of these animals have adapted to life in the ocean.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## The Ocean

What I Know \_\_\_\_\_

What I Want to Know \_\_\_\_\_

1. What kind of water fills the ocean?
2. Are there many animals or a few animals?
3. What are four animals that can be found in the ocean?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## The Ocean

Write about the ocean habitat.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## The Ocean

All About the Ocean

The Climate \_\_\_\_\_ Explain it...

The Animals \_\_\_\_\_ Explain it...

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Ocean Animals

Animals that live in the ocean have made adaptations to underwater life. Most ocean animals can breathe underwater using gills. However, there are some ocean animals that use lungs and breathe air at the ocean surface. There are hundreds of thousands of different types of animals in the ocean. Some are tiny crustaceans, while others are giant whales. There are a few zones in the ocean. This is where many plants and animals live here. The twilight zone is under the sunlight zone. It has very little light and the water is cold. The deeper you get in the ocean, the fewer animals you will find. The bottom levels are the midnight zone and the abyss.

1. What are the four levels of the ocean as listed above?

2. How do animals breathe underwater?

3. What types of animals can be found in the ocean?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Ocean Animals

Found in the Ocean \_\_\_\_\_

Not in the Ocean \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Ocean Animals

Draw a few animals in the ocean scene above. Below, write a few qualities about ocean animals.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## The Ocean

Write an informational magazine article about the ocean.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## The Ocean

Would you like to live in the ocean? \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## The Ocean

True \_\_\_\_\_ False \_\_\_\_\_

There are thousands of ocean animals.	The ocean habitat has the least amount of animals.	Some animals breathe underwater.
Oceans take up most of the world's space.	The majority of the ocean is freshwater.	All ocean animals have gills.
Oceans take up only 30% of the world's surface.	Reptiles, mammals, and fish can be found in the ocean.	There are three levels of the ocean. Animals live in all levels.

# Grasslands

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Grassland

What I Know \_\_\_\_\_

What I Want to Know \_\_\_\_\_

Grasslands are a type of habitat found in the world. They are very large areas of land where there is not a lot of rain in the grasslands. Some grasslands are temperate, while others are savannas. These have more vegetation than other grasslands. Climates in grasslands are summer and colder in the winter. The animals that live in the grasslands are varied. Some grasslands are wolves, foxes, eagles, buffaloes. Some of the animals in the savannas are giraffes, lions, elephants, and zebras. The vegetation in the grasslands are grass, bushes, and shrubs.

1. What are two types of grasslands?
2. Identify the climate in a grassland.
3. What is the vegetation like in a grassland?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Grassland Animals

List and draw six grassland animals.

Grassland \_\_\_\_\_

Found in the Grasslands \_\_\_\_\_

Draw a few animals in the grassland scene. Below, write a few qualities of these animals.

					
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Grasslands

Write about the grassland habitat.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Grasslands

The Climate \_\_\_\_\_

The Animals \_\_\_\_\_

Explain it... \_\_\_\_\_

Explain it... \_\_\_\_\_

All About the Grasslands

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Grassland Animals

Would you like to live in the grasslands? Explain.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Grasslands

True \_\_\_\_\_

False \_\_\_\_\_

Grasslands are dry and warm.	Grasslands have more rain than rainforests.	There are many herbivores that live in the grasslands.
Most animals there are carnivores.	Saltwater can be found in grasslands.	There is not a lot of vegetation in the habitat.
There are different types of grasslands.	Grasslands are open plains with little vegetation.	The grasslands have plenty of shelter for animals.

# Forests

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Forests

Forests are habitats that are found all around the world. There are two different types of forests. Deciduous forests change with the different seasons, so the plants and animals change with them. Coniferous forests usually stay the same throughout the year. There are many pine trees here because they have long, sharp needles. Many plants and animals live here because there is a lot of shelter and water for them. Some animals that can be found here are wolves, bears, raccoons, deer, and birds.

1. What are forests?  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. What is different between a deciduous forest and a coniferous forest?  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Why do animals live in forests?  
\_\_\_\_\_

What I Know \_\_\_\_\_

What I Want to Know \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Forests

Write about the forest habitat.

The Climate \_\_\_\_\_ Explain it... \_\_\_\_\_

The Animals \_\_\_\_\_ Explain it... \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Forest Animals

Found in Forests Not Found in Forests

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Forest Animals

Draw a few animals in the forest scene above. Below, write a few qualities about forest animals.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Forests

Write an informational magazine article about forests.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Would you like to live in the forest?

True False

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Forests

Forests are dry and have little rainfall. There are carnivores and herbivores in forests. There are different types of forests.

There can be streams and rivers in forests. There are not many animals that can survive in forests. Some forests have trees that lose their leaves in the winter.

Forests are covered in very little vegetation. Many animals can survive in forests. All forests are the same.

# Mini Books

These fold-and-go mini books contain three pages of nonfiction material, followed up with three comprehension questions.

The image shows a collection of 12 fold-and-go mini books, each containing three pages of nonfiction material and three comprehension questions. The books are arranged in two rows of six. Each book has a title page, a middle page with illustrations, and a final page with writing space. The titles and colors of the books are:

- Arctic Habitat** (Yellow)
- Desert Habitat** (Orange)
- Pond Habitat** (Blue)
- Rainforest Habitat** (Light Blue)
- Ocean Habitat** (Green)
- Grassland Habitat** (Pink)
- Forest Habitat** (Orange)
- Arctic Habitat** (Yellow)
- Desert Habitat** (Orange)
- Pond Habitat** (Blue)
- Rainforest Habitat** (Light Blue)
- Ocean Habitat** (Green)
- Grassland Habitat** (Pink)
- Forest Habitat** (Orange)

Each book includes a title page with a title, a name line, and a question to answer in a complete sentence. The middle page contains illustrations and text about the habitat. The final page contains a writing section with a question to answer in a complete sentence.

# Review Worksheets

Habitats		
Habitat	Explain this habitat.	List Four Animals Found There.

Comparing Habitats		
Oceans		
		Both

Where are they from?		
Animal	Habitat	Adaptation or Quality

Habitats		
Habitat	Explain	

Comparing Habitats		
Rainforests		
		Both

Comparing Habitats		
Grasslands		
		Both

Where are they from?		
Animal	Habitat	Adaptation or Quality

Comparing Habitats		
Deserts		
		Both

Comparing Habitats		
Arctic		
		Both