

All Kinds of Habitats

As You Read

Think of words you could use to tell what each habitat is like.



Habitat: Rainforest

What is it like? It is wet. It rains a lot! The rainforest is **lush**. That means it is thick with trees and other plants.

What is an animal that lives there? Toucans live in the trees. They use their **bills** to crush fruit from trees to eat. The fruit's seeds fall to the ground. They grow into new trees!



Habitat: Swamp

What is it like? It is wet. The ground is muddy. Plants grow right out of the water!

What is an animal that lives there? Alligators lie on the muddy ground. They warm up in the sun. When they get too hot, they dive into the cool water. Splash! They swim and look for fish and birds to eat.



Habitat: Desert

What is it like? It is dry. It does not rain a lot. Most deserts are hot and sandy. Some have plants such as cactuses.

What is an animal that lives there? Fennec foxes live in underground **dens**. They stay cool there. The bottoms of their paws are very furry. That helps them walk on hot sand!



Habitat: Ocean

What is it like? It is wet, of course! Some parts are dark and cold. Other parts are sunny and warm. Plants grow there!

What is an animal that lives there? Parrotfish swim through the salty water. They have sharp little teeth! They use them to scrape tiny plants called **algae** (AL-jee) off rocks.