



# Vegetation

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| 1. <b>vegetation</b>         | all the plants and trees in an area  |
| 2. <b>flora</b>              | plant life   |
| 3. <b>fauna</b>              | animal life  |
| 4. <b>altitude</b>           | height above sea level   |
| 5. <b>climate zone</b>       | a large area of Earth with a particular pattern of weather                                 |
| 6. <b>polar zone</b>         | a climate zone characterized by very little precipitation and extremely cold temperatures. |
| 7. <b>temperate zone</b>     | moderate climate zone between the polar zones and the tropics                              |
| 8. <b>tropical zone</b>      | a climate zone near the equator characterized by warm temperatures.                        |
| 9. <b>perennial plant</b>    | a plant that lives for many years  |
| 10. <b>biome</b>             | a group of ecosystems with similar climates and organisms                                  |
| 11. <b>tundra</b>            | an extremely cold, dry biome.  |
| 12. <b>taiga</b>             | a region of evergreen, coniferous forest below the arctic and subarctic tundra regions     |
| 13. <b>deciduous forest</b>  | A forest biome with many kinds of trees that lose their leaves each autumn                 |
| 14. <b>coniferous forest</b> | a biome characterized by conifers, cone-bearing evergreen trees                            |
| 15. <b>meadow</b>            | a field of grass or wildflowers.   |
| 16. <b>mammal</b>            | a warm-blooded vertebrate that feeds its young milk.                                       |
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17. <b>migratory birds</b>	birds that fly considerable distances between their summer breeding areas and their wintering areas
18. <b>Mediterranean vegetation</b>	grasses, shrubs, and low trees
19. <b>steppe</b>	partly dry grassland often found on the edges of a desert
20. <b>savanna</b>	a grassy plain in tropical and subtropical regions, with few trees.
21. <b>epiphytic plants</b>	plants that grow on other plants
22. <b>herbaceous plants</b>	seed plants that lack woody tissue
23. <b>herbivorous animal</b>	an animal that feeds mainly on plants
24. <b>drought</b>	a long period of low precipitation
25. <b>overgrazing</b>	grazing so heavily that the vegetation is damaged and the ground erodes
26. <b>overcultivation</b>	the excessive use of farmland to the point where productivity falls due to soil exhaustion or land degradation.
27. <b>urbanization</b>	an increase in the percentage and in the number of people living in urban settlements.
28. <b>timber</b>	the wood of trees cut and prepared for use
29. <b>deforestation</b>	destruction of forests
30. <b>reforestation</b>	planting trees to replace lost forestland
31. <b>biodiversity loss</b>	loss of biomass and biological diversity in an environment
32. <b>degradation</b>	a decline to a lower condition, quality, or level

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33. **precipitation**

any form of water that falls from clouds and reaches Earth's surface

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