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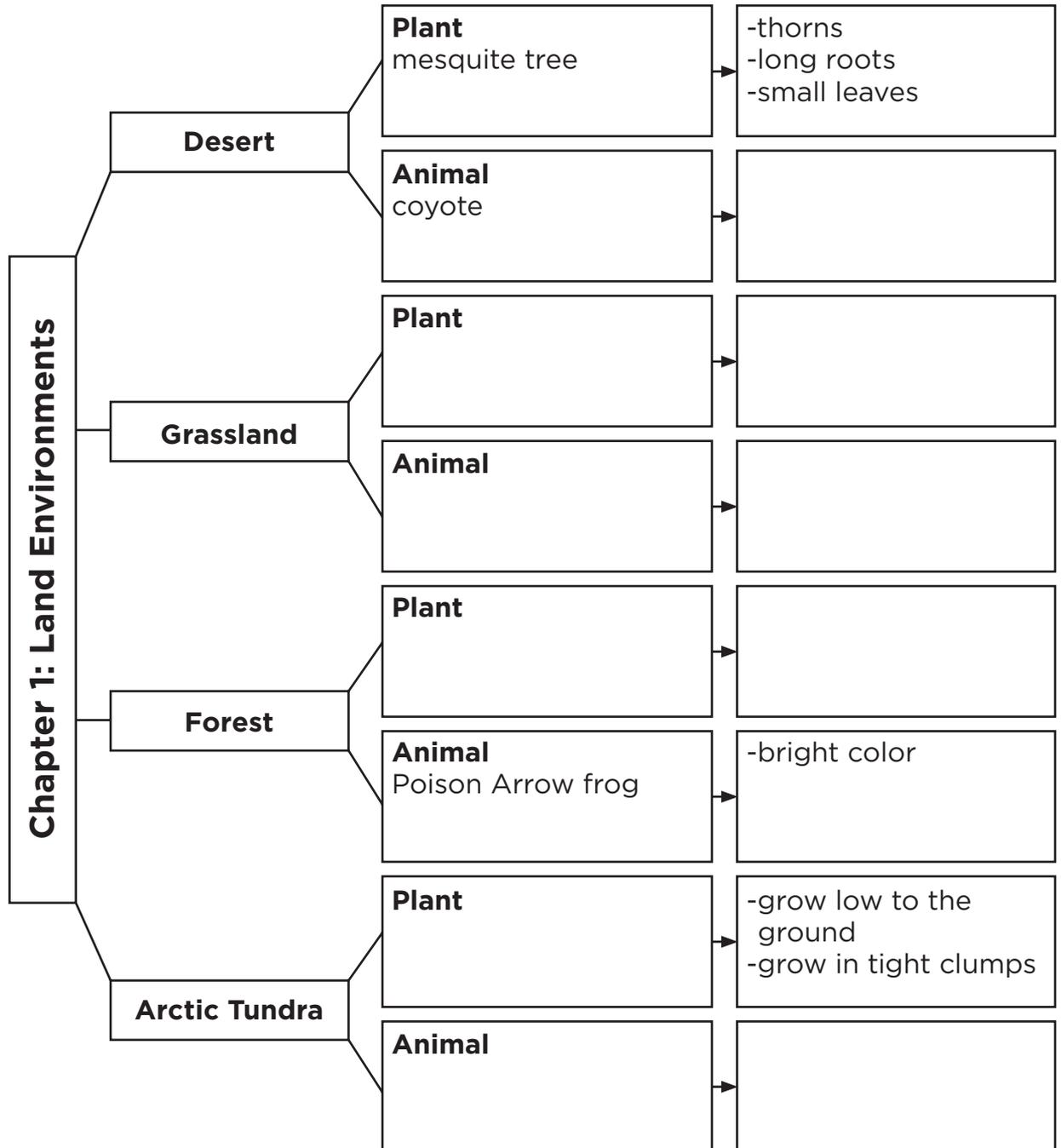
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# Adaptations in Land Environments

The chart below divides land environments into biomes, biomes into the plants and animals that live in each, and the adaptations they have to survive in each biome. Try to fill in the blanks with more plants and animals and more of their adaptations.





# Living Things and Their Needs

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## Where do living things live?

1. Living things live in an \_\_\_\_\_ where they can meet their needs.
2. Plants and animals are \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. Water, air, and sunlight are \_\_\_\_\_ .

## Biomes

4. Scientists group similar environments into \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ of a biome affects which living things can survive there.

## How do plants get what they need?

6. All plants need water, sunlight, \_\_\_\_\_ , and carbon dioxide.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ carry food and water throughout a plant.
8. The leaves of a plant use energy from the Sun to change \_\_\_\_\_ and water into food.
9. A plant's roots take in \_\_\_\_\_ and nutrients from soil.

**How do animals get what they need?**

10. Animals need water, energy from food, and \_\_\_\_\_ .
11. Animals cannot make their own \_\_\_\_\_ .
12. Legs, wings, and other body parts are examples of \_\_\_\_\_ .
13. Birds build nests as \_\_\_\_\_ for their young.
14. A porcupine's sharp quills keep it \_\_\_\_\_ from other animals.

**What helps living things survive in their environment?**

15. \_\_\_\_\_ help living things survive in their environments.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

16. What two things do both plants and animals need to survive?

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# Living Things and Their Needs

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|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| <b>a.</b> adaptation | <b>d.</b> environment | <b>g.</b> shelter   |
| <b>b.</b> biome      | <b>e.</b> humus       | <b>h.</b> stem      |
| <b>c.</b> climate    | <b>f.</b> oxygen      | <b>i.</b> structure |

## Match the correct letter with the description.

- \_\_\_\_\_ A substance made up of broken-down plant and animal material.
- \_\_\_\_\_ An area of land or water that has certain kinds of living and nonliving things.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Everything that surrounds a living thing.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A specific part of a living thing.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A structure that helps living things survive in their environment.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The typical weather conditions for a place over time.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A substance that animals must breathe to stay alive.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A plant part that carries food and water throughout a plant.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A place in which animals can stay safe.

## Living Things and Their Needs

nonliving

climate

fish

shelters

biome

roots

quills

structures

### Fill in the blanks.

Where living things can meet their needs is their environment. You can also find water, air, and sunlight, which are \_\_\_\_\_ things. An area of land or water, called a \_\_\_\_\_ is made up of certain kinds of living and nonliving things. These areas have a \_\_\_\_\_, or typical weather conditions over time. Living things have special parts, or \_\_\_\_\_, so they can survive in their environment. Plants have leaves that take in carbon dioxide and \_\_\_\_\_ that take in water from soil. Some animals, such as \_\_\_\_\_, have gills to help them breathe. Animals have parts to keep them safe. A porcupine has sharp \_\_\_\_\_. Animals also build \_\_\_\_\_ to keep them safe.

# Life in the Desert

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What is a desert?

1. A desert is a biome that has a \_\_\_\_\_ climate.
2. It is hot during the \_\_\_\_\_ and cold at \_\_\_\_\_ in a desert.
3. Desert soil is mostly made up of \_\_\_\_\_ .
4. The sandy soil has very little \_\_\_\_\_ to soak up rainwater.

## What adaptations help desert plants?

5. Plants that grow in deserts have \_\_\_\_\_ that help them survive with little water.
6. Mesquite trees have long roots that grow \_\_\_\_\_ to find water.
7. The saguaro cactus has thick \_\_\_\_\_ to help store water.
8. Spines on a prickly pear cactus \_\_\_\_\_ it from thirsty animals.

**What adaptations help animals?**

9. Rattlesnakes are \_\_\_\_\_ ; they sleep during the day.
10. The jackrabbit has long ears to help it stay \_\_\_\_\_ in the desert.
11. Some animals have \_\_\_\_\_ to help them blend in with their environment.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

12. What adaptations help plants and animals survive in the desert?

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# Life in the Desert

Read each clue. Write the answer in the blanks and fill in the crossword puzzle.

## Across

4. Many desert animals \_\_\_\_\_ during the day to avoid the heat.
5. The soil in the desert is mostly \_\_\_\_\_.
6. A desert animal with large ears that help it lose excess body heat is the \_\_\_\_\_.

## Down

1. Because of their adaptations, desert plants can survive with little \_\_\_\_\_.
2. A special feature that helps an organism survive in a particular place is an \_\_\_\_\_.
3. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a hot, dry biome with very little rain.

adaptation

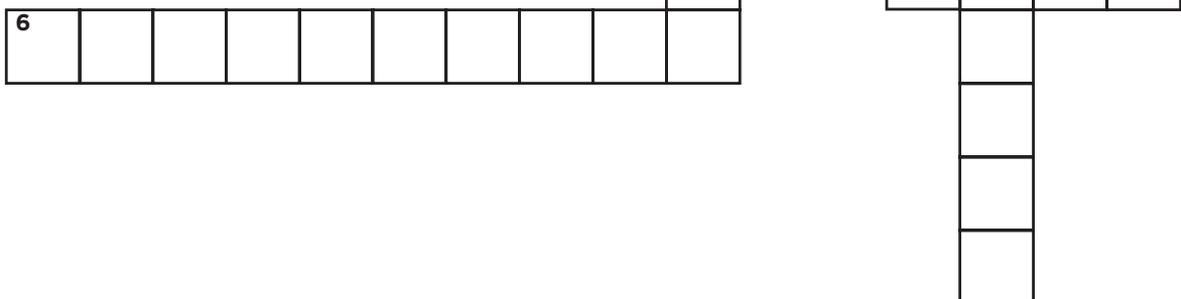
desert

jackrabbit

sand

water

sleep



## Life in the Desert

rain	temperature	deep	roots	nocturnal
Sun	humus	adaptations	water	

### Fill in the blanks.

A desert is a biome that has a dry climate. Less than 25 centimeters of \_\_\_\_\_ falls each year in the desert. During the day it is hot and the \_\_\_\_\_ warms land and air. At night the \_\_\_\_\_ drops and it is much cooler. Desert soil is mostly sand. There is very little \_\_\_\_\_ in desert soil. Rainwater trickles down through sand and goes very \_\_\_\_\_ .

In order for plants to survive in the desert, they must have \_\_\_\_\_. So that they can reach the water that is deep underground, some plants have long \_\_\_\_\_. Many desert plants also have thick stems and waxy leaves in order to store \_\_\_\_\_ .

Animals have adapted to deserts, too. Some animals are \_\_\_\_\_ and sleep during the day.

# Life in the Grassland

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What is a grassland?

1. A biome that is covered with grass is a \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. Some \_\_\_\_\_ eat grass as food.
3. Grass can provide \_\_\_\_\_ from the cold and wind.
4. Grasslands that are cold in the winter and warm in the summer are \_\_\_\_\_ grasslands.
5. Grasslands that are warm all year are \_\_\_\_\_ grasslands.
6. The Serengeti Plain in Africa is a \_\_\_\_\_ .

## What adaptations help grassland plants survive?

7. All grasses in grasslands grow well in \_\_\_\_\_ conditions.
8. The grasses have deep roots that work like a \_\_\_\_\_ .
9. If a grassland fire burns the grass above the soil, the \_\_\_\_\_ survive.
10. The baobab loses its leaves during the \_\_\_\_\_ season.



# Life in the Grassland

burrows	North America	Serengeti Plain	tropical
herds	savanna	temperate	

## Fill in the blanks.

1. The prairies of North America are \_\_\_\_\_ grasslands.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ is a tropical grassland.
3. In a tropical \_\_\_\_\_, grasses may grow up to six feet tall.
4. Prairie dogs dig \_\_\_\_\_ in the ground to hide from enemies.
5. Gazelles and zebras travel in large \_\_\_\_\_.

## Answer each question.

6. Why do fires form regularly in grasslands?

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7. How do grasses survive after being eaten by plants?

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## Life in the Grassland

biomes	teeth	sponges	roots	soil
climate	tops	seasons	flat	survive

### Fill in the blanks.

Grasslands are \_\_\_\_\_ that are covered with grass. There are different kinds of grasslands. Temperate grasslands have four \_\_\_\_\_. Tropical grasslands have a \_\_\_\_\_ that is warm all year round.

Because grasslands are dry, the roots of many grasses work like \_\_\_\_\_, soaking up water. They also store nutrients in their roots. When a fire burns the grasses above the ground, the roots below \_\_\_\_\_. The dead grass on top becomes part of the \_\_\_\_\_ and a stalk grows from the \_\_\_\_\_.

Many animals eat grasses. Zebras have special \_\_\_\_\_ that are \_\_\_\_\_. This allows them to bite off the \_\_\_\_\_ of grasses.

# Tinamous

Ana studies the birds of the Pampas. Some of the birds she studies are called tinamous. Their brown and gray feathers help them blend in with the tall grass and other shrubs and bushes. This camouflage helps them hide from predators like foxes and hawks that eat the birds or their eggs.

## Compare and Contrast

- Look for similarities and differences
- Use your own experiences to apply to the situation

How does Ana find tinamous if they are so well hidden? She listens for their songs. Each species of tinamou has a different song. Sometimes she has to sing or play a recording of their song to get the birds to answer back. It takes time, patience, and a little luck.

The tinamous are hard to see, but their shiny green, turquoise, and purple eggs really stand out. Ana wants to know why the eggs are so colorful.



How do you think colorful eggs help the tinamous?

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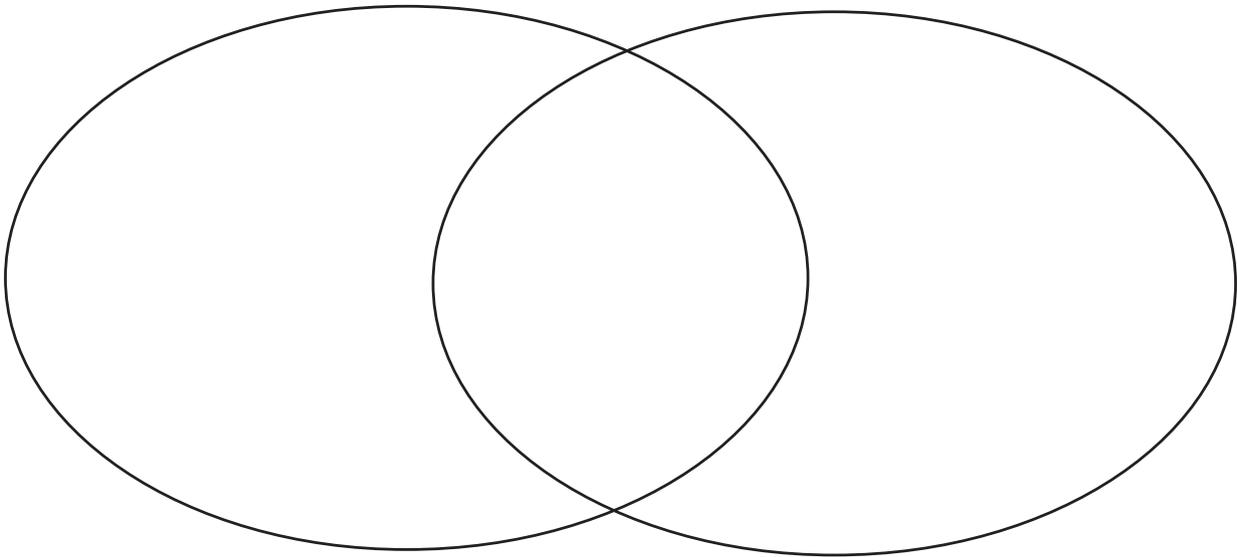
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**Write About It**

**Compare and Contrast** Ana Luz Porzecanski studies tinamous and their eggs. Work with a partner to compare and contrast the tinamou with its eggs. Then compare and contrast the tinamou with another animal you have read about in this chapter. List ways the animals are alike and different in a Venn diagram. Then use your diagram to write a compare and contrast essay.



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# Life in the Forest

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What is a forest?

1. A forest is a biome with many \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. A tropical rain forest is found near the \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. The climate of a tropical rain forest is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ .
4. The soil in a tropical rain forest is not very rich in plant \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. A temperate forest has four \_\_\_\_\_ .
6. The soil in a temperate forest is rich in \_\_\_\_\_ .

## What adaptations help forest plants survive?

7. Plants are adapted to grow toward \_\_\_\_\_ .
8. Many tall trees in a tropical rain forest have \_\_\_\_\_ roots.
9. Tall trees are supported by \_\_\_\_\_ .
10. Smaller plants that grow under tall trees have \_\_\_\_\_ that allow them to lose extra water.
11. Plants on the forest floor have very large leaves to soak in \_\_\_\_\_ .



## Life in the Forest

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|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| <b>a.</b> buttresses | <b>d.</b> deciduous | <b>g.</b> large leaves |
| <b>b.</b> camouflage | <b>e.</b> drip tips | <b>h.</b> mimicry      |
| <b>c.</b> conifer    | <b>f.</b> hibernate |                        |

**Match the description with the correct letter for the adaptation.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ This allows an animal to blend in with its environment.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ These help a plant to soak up more sunlight.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ This type of tree has tough needles that help it to conserve water during the winter.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ These support a tall tree with shallow roots.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ This is when a mantis is able to look like an orchid flower.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ This is what squirrels do when they sleep all winter to store energy.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ This type of tree loses its leaves in the fall so it can conserve energy in the winter.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ These help leaves to lose extra rainwater.

## Life in the Forest

equator      year      adapted      hot      seasons      leaves

### Fill in the blanks.

A biome that has many trees is a forest. Tropical rain forests are found near the \_\_\_\_\_. The temperature in a tropical rain forest is usually \_\_\_\_\_ all year. It also gets about 200 to 460 centimeters of rain each \_\_\_\_\_. Temperate forests have four \_\_\_\_\_ and rainfall and temperature change from season to season.

In the tropical rain forest, there are many tall trees that block a lot of the sunlight down below. Plants on the forest floor have \_\_\_\_\_ in order to get as much sunlight as they can. Many of these plants have large \_\_\_\_\_ to get more sunlight.

# Life in the Arctic Tundra

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What is an Arctic tundra?

1. The arctic tundra is a \_\_\_\_\_ biome.
2. The arctic tundra is located above the \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. In the middle of \_\_\_\_\_ the Sun never rises.
4. During \_\_\_\_\_ the Sun never sets.
5. A layer of frozen soil called \_\_\_\_\_ prevents melted snow from soaking into the ground.

## What adaptations help arctic plants?

6. All plants living in the Arctic tundra have \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ roots.
7. Having these types of roots allow plants to survive in soil that is mostly \_\_\_\_\_ .
8. Most Arctic plants grow \_\_\_\_\_ the ground.
9. Many plants grow in tight clumps to \_\_\_\_\_ them from the cold and wind.
10. Plants that have dark colors can absorb \_\_\_\_\_ more easily.

**What adaptations help Arctic animals?**

11. Polar bears and musk oxen have a layer of \_\_\_\_\_ or fat.
12. Arctic animals usually have \_\_\_\_\_ bodies and \_\_\_\_\_ fur than their relatives in other biomes.
13. Many Arctic animals have wide feet that keep them from \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Long, sharp \_\_\_\_\_ keep Arctic animals from slipping and sliding on ice.
15. Canada geese and caribou \_\_\_\_\_ when seasons change.
16. Arctic animals that eat plants \_\_\_\_\_ where they can find food more easily.
17. The fur of the Arctic fox changes color from \_\_\_\_\_ so it can blend in with its environment year round.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

18. Explain how Arctic plants and animals have adaptations to help them survive in the arctic tundra.

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## Life in the Arctic Tundra

Arctic tundra

hibernate

soggy

migrate

temperatures

permafrost

### Fill in the blanks.

1. The cold biome of the far north is called the \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. Animals that move south to warmer environments in winter \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. When animals go into a very deep sleep in the winter that helps them conserve energy, they \_\_\_\_\_ .
4. By growing in tight clumps and close to the ground, the plants are protected from wind and freezing \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. In the summer the ground becomes \_\_\_\_\_ because a layer of \_\_\_\_\_ prevents melted snow from soaking into the ground.

## Life in the Arctic Tundra

cold	melts	roots	migrate
summer	permafrost	clumps	blubber

### Fill in the blanks.

The arctic tundra is located above the Arctic Circle. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ biome. Winters are long and dark. The Arctic tundra has about six to ten weeks of \_\_\_\_\_ . When temperatures get warm enough, snow \_\_\_\_\_ . Puddles form on the land because the \_\_\_\_\_ layer prevents water from soaking into the ground.

About 17,000 different kinds of plants live in the Arctic tundra. Many have shallow or no \_\_\_\_\_. Plants often grow in tight \_\_\_\_\_. This protects them from the wind and cold temperatures.

Arctic animals have also adapted to the climate. Some animals \_\_\_\_\_ to warmer places during the Arctic winter. Other animals have thick fur or a layer of \_\_\_\_\_. This keeps them warm when the temperatures are freezing.

# Life in the Arctic Tundra

Read the Writing in Science feature in your textbook.



## Write About It

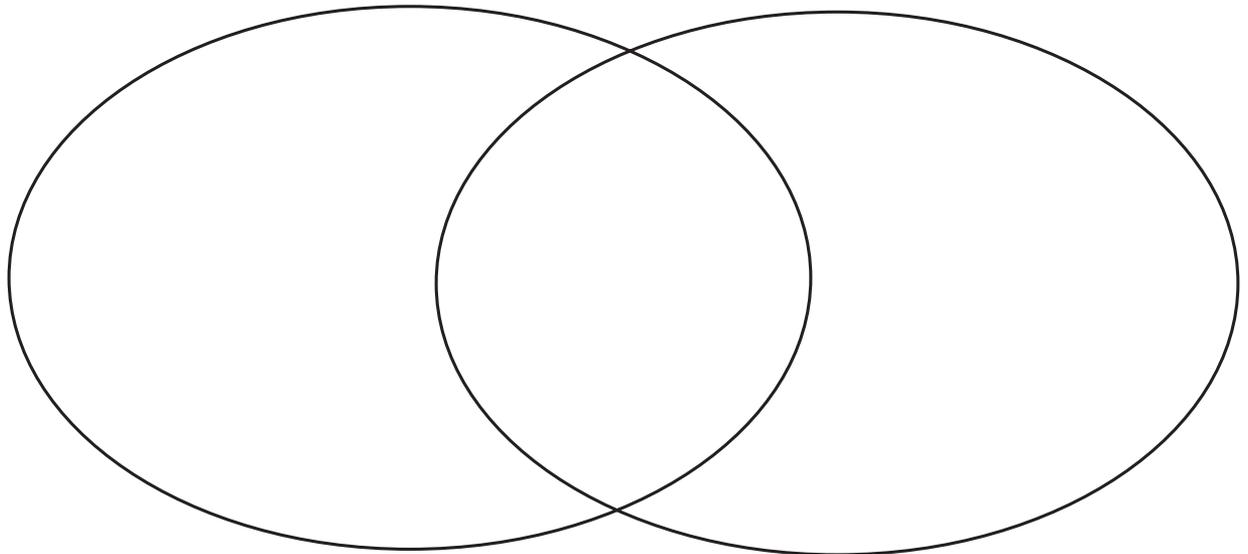
Choose two animals that live in the tundra. Write a paragraph in which you compare and contrast them. Use words such as like and unlike to show how they are similar, yet different.

## Getting Ideas

Choose two arctic animals. Write their names above the circles. Write details that show how they are different in the outer part of the circles. Write details that show how they are the same in the part that overlaps.

Animal \_\_\_\_\_

Animal \_\_\_\_\_



**Drafting**

Now write the first draft of your paragraph. Begin with a topic sentence. Write sentences that compare and contrast the two animals. Use details that create a vivid picture.

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Now revise and proofread your paragraph. Ask yourself:

- Did I begin with a topic sentence?
- Did I use details that help my readers picture the animals?
- Did I show how the animals are alike and different?
- Did I use words that compare and contrast, such as like and unlike?
- Did I correct all grammar errors?
- Did I correct all spelling, punctuation, and capitalization errors?

# Land Environments

Choose the letter of the best answer.

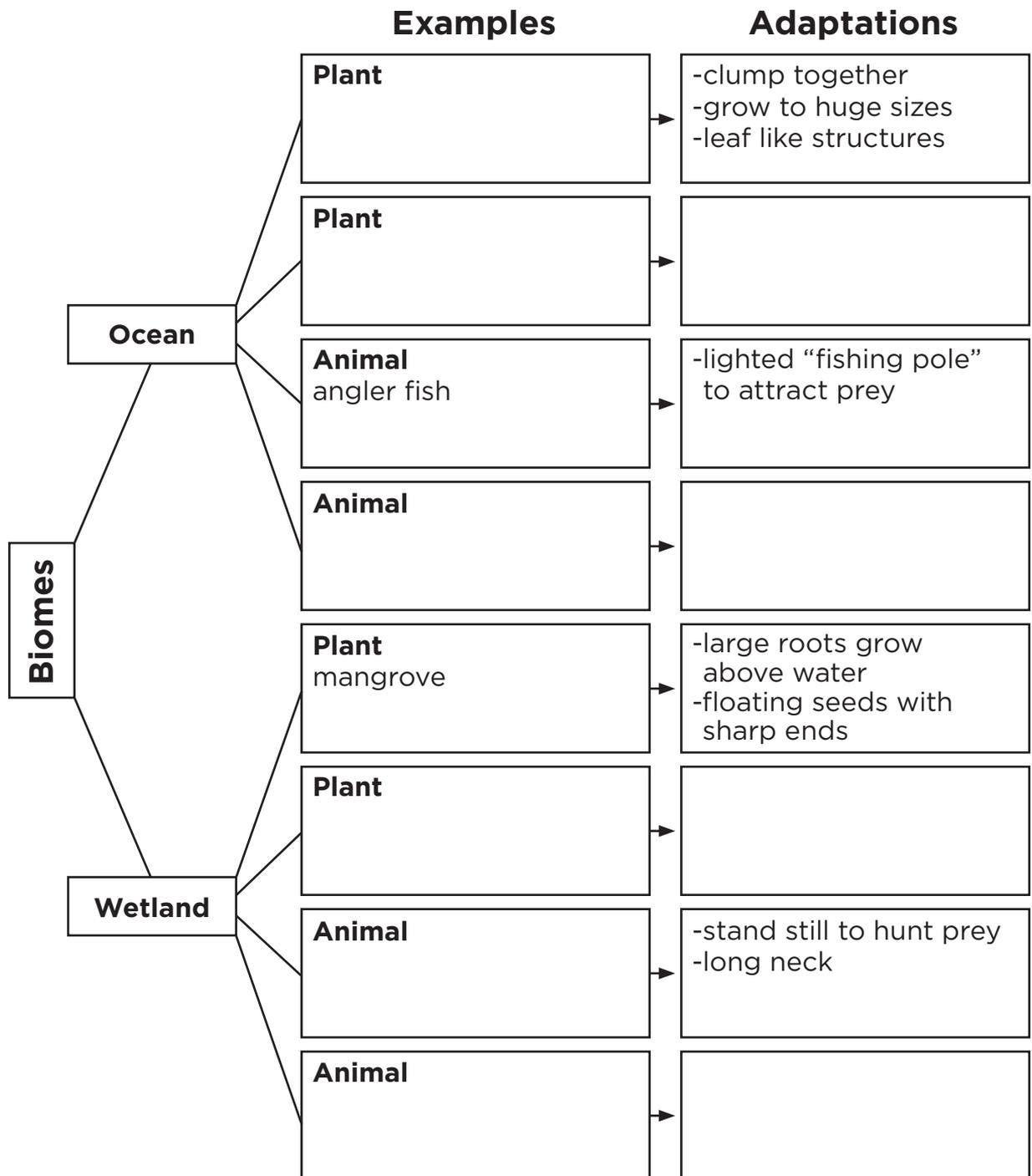
1. What is another name for the temperate grassland of North America?  
**a.** arctic tundra                      **c.** savanna  
**b.** prairie                                **d.** temperate forest
2. An area with certain kinds of living and nonliving things is a(n)  
**a.** animal.                                **c.** climate.  
**b.** biome.                                **d.** environment.
3. Permafrost is a layer of  
**a.** frozen soil.                          **c.** frost on trees.  
**b.** snow.                                 **d.** ice on the ocean.
4. Broken down plant and animal matter is  
**a.** environment.                        **c.** structure.  
**b.** humus.                                **d.** sand.
5. Savanna is found in Africa, and is another name for  
**a.** deciduous forest.                    **c.** tropical grassland.  
**b.** desert.                                **d.** tropical rain forest.
6. A nocturnal animal is an animal that is active during  
**a.** day.                                    **c.** summer.  
**b.** night.                                 **d.** winter.

**Choose the letter of the best answer.**

- 7.** A mixture of broken down rocks, plant, and animal material is also called
- a.** carbon dioxide.                      **c.** forest.  
**b.** environment.                         **d.** soil.
- 8.** If most of the trees in a forest lose their leaves during the winter, it is a(n)
- a.** arctic tundra.                         **c.** deciduous forest.  
**b.** coniferous forest.                    **d.** rain forest.
- 9.** What does the word mimicry describe?
- a.** a poisonous species  
**b.** a species with an adaptation  
**c.** one species eats another species  
**d.** one species looks like another species
- 10.** An animal that hibernates is adapted to
- a.** deserts.                                  **c.** tropical rain forest.  
**b.** cold winters.                         **d.** mimicry.
- 11.** In which biome do you find the greatest numbers of plants and animals?
- a.** coniferous forest                      **c.** temperate forest  
**b.** savanna                                  **d.** tropical rain forest
- 12.** Arctic tundra is a biome
- a.** near the equator.                      **c.** with trees.  
**b.** above the Arctic Circle.            **d.** without living things.

# Water Environments

Complete the concept map with the information you learned about adaptations of living things in oceans and wetlands. Some answers have been written for you.





# The Water Planet

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What is a water environment?

1. Earth is divided into land and \_\_\_\_\_ environments that are filled with different types of living things.
2. Earth's water environments are oceans, lakes, ponds, rivers, streams, and \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. Earth's water environments are divided into two groups called \_\_\_\_\_ and freshwater environments.
4. A saltwater environment that is filled with plants and animals is called a \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. A \_\_\_\_\_ such as a river, pond, or lake has water with almost no salt.
6. A mixture of fresh and salt water, which occurs where rivers meet the ocean, is called a \_\_\_\_\_ environment.

## How are water environments different from each other?

7. Besides the amount of salt, water environments vary in \_\_\_\_\_ .
8. Some water environments such as \_\_\_\_\_ can be thousands of feet deep.
9. Plants cannot grow in deep water because the \_\_\_\_\_ doesn't reach them.
10. Water \_\_\_\_\_ varies with depth and nearness to the equator.

11. Water temperatures near the \_\_\_\_\_ are warmer.
12. Plants and animals \_\_\_\_\_ to the type of water environment they live in.

**What plants and animals live in water environments?**

13. Most plants and animals live near the \_\_\_\_\_ since deep water is cold and dark.
14. Water lilies live in fresh, shallow waters. The air spaces in their leaves help them \_\_\_\_\_ .
15. \_\_\_\_\_ fish live in the warm salt water of oceans near the equator.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

16. How do saltwater environments differ from freshwater environments?

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# The Water Planet

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| <b>a.</b> depth              | <b>c.</b> saltwater environment  |
| <b>b.</b> marine environment | <b>d.</b> freshwater environment |

**Match the vocabulary word with its correct description. Each vocabulary word will be used twice.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ I have water with almost no salt.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I have water that is very salty.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am another name for a saltwater environment.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I describe how deep something is.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am an ocean.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am a lake, pond, river, or stream.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I affect the temperature of water.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am a body of water with algae and fish.

# The Water Planet

brackish	freshwater	plants	warmer
deep	marine environment	saltwater	
ocean	temperature	two	

## Fill in the blanks.

Three quarters of Earth is covered by water. Earth has \_\_\_\_\_ types of water environments. \_\_\_\_\_ environments have salty water. A \_\_\_\_\_ is also salty. An \_\_\_\_\_ is an example of a marine environment. A lake is an example of a \_\_\_\_\_ environment because it has very little salt.

Water that is a mixture of both salt and fresh water is called \_\_\_\_\_. The water depth, amount of sunlight, and \_\_\_\_\_ are differences in water environments. For instance, shallow water that gets a lot of sunlight is \_\_\_\_\_ than deep, dark water. \_\_\_\_\_ and animals must adapt to life in fresh water or salt water. Only a few plants and animals can live in \_\_\_\_\_ water because it is dark and cold.

# Life in an Ocean

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What is an ocean like?

1. The ocean is home to \_\_\_\_\_ of living things.
2. Most ocean life forms live in \_\_\_\_\_ water.

## How do plants survive in the ocean?

3. Some plants attach \_\_\_\_\_ while others drift with water.
4. Plants with roots usually live in shallow water because the plants need \_\_\_\_\_.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ such as kelp is one of the types of algae.
6. Algae give off \_\_\_\_\_ when they make food.
7. Algae that grow very large and clump together are \_\_\_\_\_.
8. To catch sunlight, kelp uses \_\_\_\_\_, and its roots attach to the ocean floor.
9. Kelp also has balloon-like balls that keep its vines \_\_\_\_\_.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ of animals live and feed on kelp.

## How do animals survive under water?

11. Animals that live under water \_\_\_\_\_ and move differently than land animals.

12. Fish use \_\_\_\_\_ to breathe underwater.
13. Some animals use \_\_\_\_\_ to hide and stay safe in the ocean.

**Staying Safe**

14. The sting ray has a sharp and \_\_\_\_\_ tail.
15. \_\_\_\_\_ is another way animals stay safe under water.

**How do creatures survive in the very deep ocean?**

16. The angler fish and the \_\_\_\_\_ are examples of sea creatures who have adapted to a deep-sea environment.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

17. How do plants and animals adapt to life in the ocean?

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# Life In An Ocean

adaptation	camouflage	roots
biome	kelp	squid

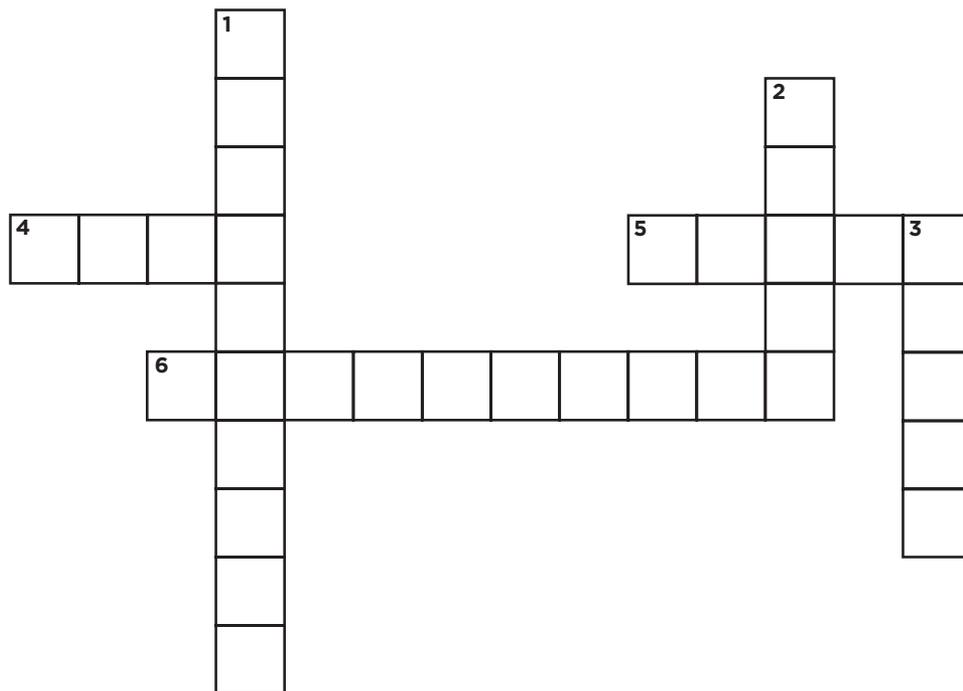
Use the clues to fill in the crossword puzzle.

**Down**

1. Special structures that enable plants and animals to survive \_\_\_\_\_
2. The largest \_\_\_\_\_ is an ocean.
3. A sea creature that moves by squirting water \_\_\_\_\_

**Across**

4. Hundreds of ocean animals live and feed in forests of \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Plants attach themselves to the ocean floor with \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Some animals use \_\_\_\_\_ to stay safe.



## Life in an Ocean

adapt	floating	move	shallow
algae	gills	oceans	
breathe	kelp forests	roots	

### Fill in the blanks.

The world's largest biome is the ocean. Billions of living things are found in Earth's \_\_\_\_\_. Since the bottom of the ocean is dark and cold, most ocean life lives in \_\_\_\_\_ water. Plants adapt to ocean life by attaching \_\_\_\_\_ to the ocean floor or drifting with the water. \_\_\_\_\_ are plants living in the ocean. In shallow, warm waters, algae grow large and create \_\_\_\_\_. Kelp have adapted to living in water by using leaf-like structures to catch sunlight and balloon-like balls to keep their vines \_\_\_\_\_. Animals have to \_\_\_\_\_ to live in the ocean, too. They have special parts to enable them to eat, stay safe, move, and \_\_\_\_\_ underwater. For example, fish have \_\_\_\_\_ that help them breathe underwater. Fish also have fins and tails to help them \_\_\_\_\_ through the water.

# Life in the Wetlands

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What are wetlands?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ are areas where water covers the land much of the year.
2. There are coastal and \_\_\_\_\_ wetlands.
3. Wetlands vary based on the \_\_\_\_\_ living in it.
4. Marshes, swamps, and \_\_\_\_\_ are types of wetlands.
5. Wetlands help prevent \_\_\_\_\_ by holding extra water.
6. In \_\_\_\_\_, wetlands become a source of water because they hold extra water.

## What kinds of plants live in wetlands?

7. Wetland plants create special ways to get \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Some plants such as \_\_\_\_\_ have a special pumping system to get oxygen to their roots.
9. Swamp trees such as \_\_\_\_\_ have woody roots that grow above the water and absorb oxygen from the air.

## What kinds of animals live in a wetland habitat?

10. Animals need the wetlands for food, water, and \_\_\_\_\_.
11. Some birds would become \_\_\_\_\_ without the wetlands.

12. Many \_\_\_\_\_ live in the wetlands.
13. Walking catfish, herons, and \_\_\_\_\_ are types of animals that live in the wetlands.
14. These animals have \_\_\_\_\_ to life in a very wet environment.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

15. How have wetland plants and animals adapted to the unique wetland environment?

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## Life in the Wetlands

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| <b>a.</b> amphibian | <b>d.</b> extinct | <b>g.</b> swamp   |
| <b>b.</b> bog       | <b>e.</b> marsh   | <b>h.</b> wetland |
| <b>c.</b> drought   | <b>f.</b> peat    |                   |

### Match the correct letter with its description.

- \_\_\_\_\_ A wetland with soft-stemmed plants such as reeds and grasses
- \_\_\_\_\_ An area of very wet land
- \_\_\_\_\_ A long period with little or no rainfall
- \_\_\_\_\_ A freshwater wetland filled with spongy moss and rich soil
- \_\_\_\_\_ A species that no longer exists
- \_\_\_\_\_ A wetland with woody plants such as cypress trees and royal palms
- \_\_\_\_\_ An animal that can live on both land and water
- \_\_\_\_\_ Rich soil found in bogs

## Life in the Wetlands

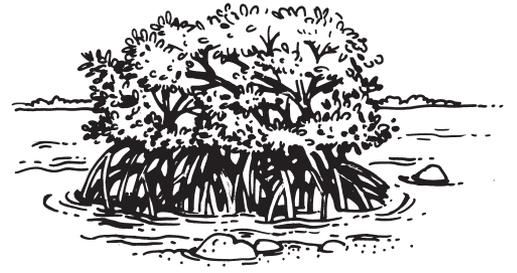
adapted	droughts	freshwater	plants	swamps
Antarctica	flooding	marsh	reproducing	woody

### Fill in the blanks.

Wetlands are areas of very wet land. Wetlands are found on every continent except \_\_\_\_\_ . Wetlands help prevent \_\_\_\_\_ by holding extra water. They also store extra water during \_\_\_\_\_ . Marshes, \_\_\_\_\_ , and bogs are types of wetlands. A \_\_\_\_\_ is mostly reeds and grasses. Swamps have \_\_\_\_\_ plants such as trees and palms. A bog is a \_\_\_\_\_ wetland filled with moss and peat. Each wetland contains different types of \_\_\_\_\_ . Plants living in wetlands have special ways of getting oxygen and \_\_\_\_\_ . Animals have also \_\_\_\_\_ to life in the wetlands. These adaptations allow plants and animals to survive in a very wet environment.

## Mail Call

Scientists at the American Museum of Natural History work to protect endangered habitats around the world. They collect stories from people around the world to learn about these environments.



TO: American Museum of Natural History  
FROM: Tommy  
SUBJECT: Save the Mangroves!

Dear Museum Scientists,

My name is Tommy and I'm writing to you because I'm worried about what's happening near my home.

I live on the coast of Florida, near a mangrove forest. It's full of beautiful, tropical evergreen trees that have roots and branches all tangled together. The mangroves are home to many animals, including manatees, storks, butterflies, snakes, and tree crabs. Mangrove roots provide shelter for fish and shrimp. The mangroves also protect the coast from wind, waves, and floods. My mom is a tour guide who shows people the amazing creatures that live in the mangroves.

Lately many new neighborhoods are being built, and this construction has replaced many mangroves with stores and homes, marinas, airports, and parking lots.

What will happen to the animals that call the mangroves home?  
I know there's a way for us and the mangroves and animals to live together.

Tommy

# Wetland Plants



## Write About It

**Predict** What do you think will happen to the wetland plants and animals near Tommy’s home if people continue to fill in wetlands and build new neighborhoods?

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Write a letter back to Tommy explaining why it is important to save wetlands. Tell ways you think we can help protect wetlands.

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# A Wetlands Story



## Write About It

Write a story that takes place in the wetlands. First decide on your characters. What happens because they live in the wetlands? What problem do they have? How do they solve it? Make sure your story has a beginning, middle, and an end. Include details to develop the action, or plot. Add dialogue to bring your characters to life.

Write a sentence describing the setting to begin your story.

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Now write your story. Start by describing the setting. Then introduce the characters and show their problem. Tell the events in order. Show how the problem is solved at the end.

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## Revising and Proofreading

Here are some sentences from another student's story. Proofread it. Add quotation marks where they are needed.

Look at the egrets in that willow tree! shouted Ray. There's a heron standing in the water, and it looks like it's fishing.

Shh! Be quiet, whispered Jesse. I want to get close so that I can get a picture. He started to hunt in his backpack for his camera.

**Now revise and proofread your story. Ask yourself:**

- Did I begin by describing the setting?
- Did I use details to create a vivid picture of the wetlands?
- Did I create a problem that fits this setting?
- Did I create interesting characters?
- Did I tell events in order?
- Did I show how the problem is solved?
- Did I correct all grammar errors?
- Did I correct all spelling, punctuation, and capitalization errors?

# Water Environments

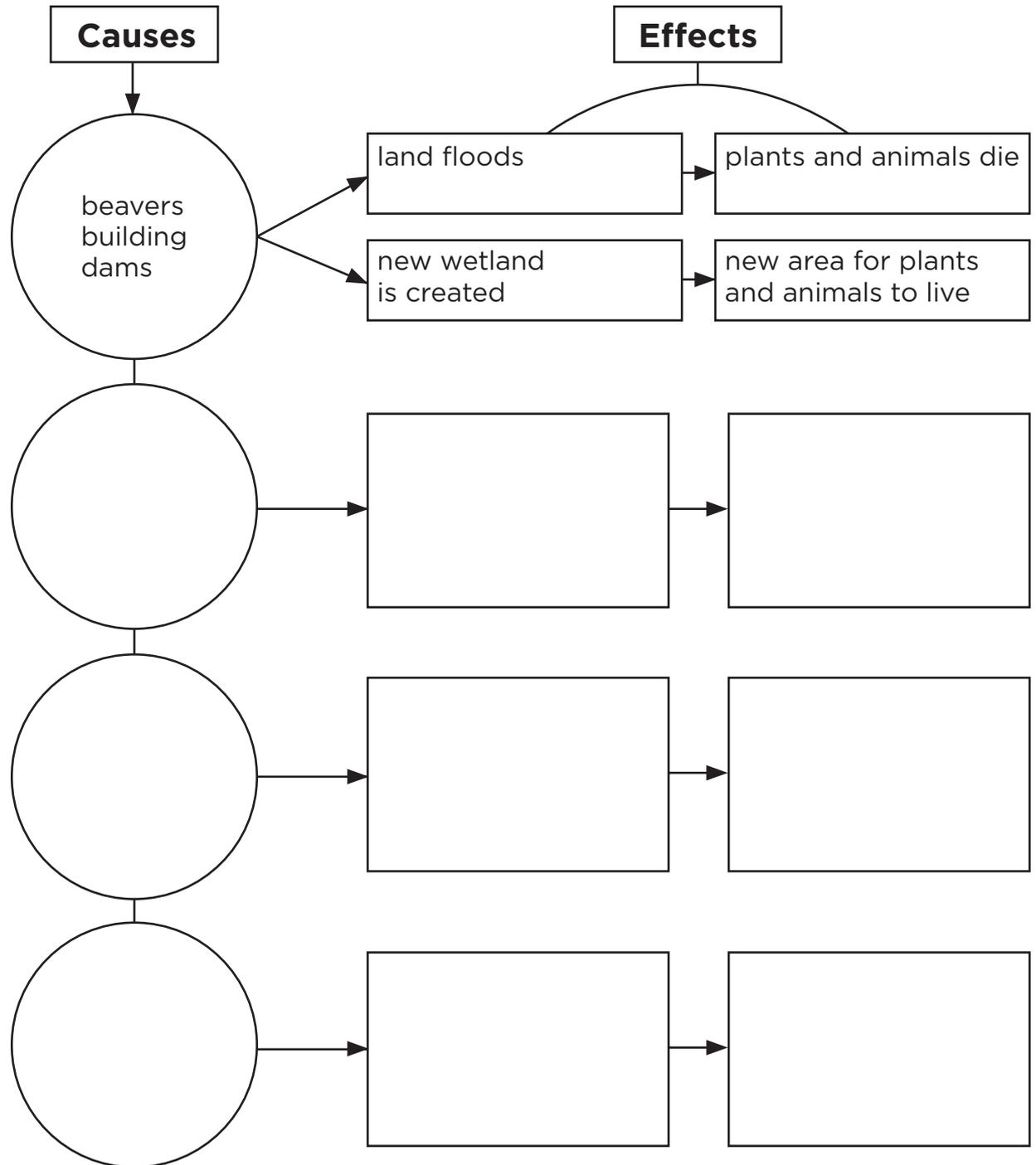
Choose the letter of the best answer.

1. A freshwater environment
  - a. never freezes.
  - b. has flowing water.
  - c. has very little salt.
  - d. is shallow.
2. A wetland that contains large amounts of moss and peat is a
  - a. bog.
  - b. marsh.
  - c. swamp.
  - d. mangrove.
3. A plant-like organism that lives in water and makes its own food from sunlight is
  - a. algae.
  - b. coral.
  - c. eel grass.
  - d. sea urchins.
4. A wetland with mostly soft-stemmed plants is called a
  - a. mangrove.
  - b. marsh.
  - c. pond.
  - d. swamp.
5. A special structure used by underwater organisms to breathe is a
  - a. fin.
  - b. gill.
  - c. shell.
  - d. tail.



# Environments Change

Write some causes of change and the effects they have on the environment. An example has been done for you.





# Living Things Change Their Environment

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## How do living things change their environment?

1. All living things affect the \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. Living things must \_\_\_\_\_ for food, water, and other things they need to survive.
3. An example of competition is when \_\_\_\_\_ grow in ways to receive the most sunlight.

## How does a beaver change its environment?

4. Beavers build dams for better access to food and for \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. Dams can be \_\_\_\_\_ to the environment when they create new wetlands.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ attract other animals including fish and birds.
7. Dams can \_\_\_\_\_ the environment when they cause flooding.

## How do people change their environment?

8. Of all living things, \_\_\_\_\_ have the greatest effect on the environment.
9. The process of burning oil, coal, and gas produces small particles that \_\_\_\_\_ our air and water.

- 10.** One way to reduce the amount of trash we produce is to \_\_\_\_\_ items such as paper and plastic.
- 11.** Another way to reduce our trash is to use fewer materials or to \_\_\_\_\_ .

**What happens to our trash?**

- 12.** In the United States, \_\_\_\_\_ of our trash is reused in some way.
- 13.** Over half of the trash in the United States is put into \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 14.** 14% of the trash in the United States is \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Summarize the Main Idea**

- 15.** How do living things affect the environment? Give examples.

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## Day and Night

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| <b>a.</b> competition | <b>d.</b> landfill  | <b>g.</b> resources |
| <b>b.</b> conserve    | <b>e.</b> pollution |                     |
| <b>c.</b> dam         | <b>f.</b> recycle   |                     |

**Match the correct letter with the description.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ An area where trash collected from people's homes is taken
2. \_\_\_\_\_ A structure that blocks the flow of water
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Items living things need to survive including water
4. \_\_\_\_\_ When animals struggle for the same resources
5. \_\_\_\_\_ When people use as little of an item as possible
6. \_\_\_\_\_ When unwanted substances are found in water air, or land
7. \_\_\_\_\_ To use an item more than once

# Living Things Change Their Environment

lessen	positive	reduce	trash
landfills	pollute	recycle	resources

## Fill in the blanks.

All living things affect the environment in some way. When trees drop their leaves, worms and other living things break down those leaves, making the soil richer. This change is \_\_\_\_\_ for the environment. When humans burn resources to make energy, they \_\_\_\_\_ the environment, and this is a harmful change to the environment. When living things compete for \_\_\_\_\_, such as water and sunlight, they change the environment as well. People can \_\_\_\_\_ the amount of harm they bring to the environment by conserving resources such as oil and coal. People can also \_\_\_\_\_ items such as plastic and metal cans. Today, the United States only reuses 30% of our \_\_\_\_\_. Over half of our trash winds up in \_\_\_\_\_. By reusing and recycling, we can \_\_\_\_\_ the amount of trash so that less land will be used for landfills and less pollution will be produced.

# Changes Affect Living Things

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What are some ways environments change?

1. Heavy rains and other forms of \_\_\_\_\_ can change the environment.
2. Some changes, such as earthquakes and volcanic eruptions, can affect the environment for \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. \_\_\_\_\_ also cause changes to the environment through actions such as logging and pollution.

## How do changes affect plants and animals?

4. Living things have \_\_\_\_\_ that enable them to survive in their environment.
5. When the environment changes, some living things are able to adapt, while others must \_\_\_\_\_ to a new location.
6. If an animal is not able to adapt to changes in the environment or move, it may \_\_\_\_\_ .
7. Some animals adapt by changing their \_\_\_\_\_ .

## How do living things depend on each other?

8. An ecosystem is made up of all the \_\_\_\_\_ and nonliving things in an area.
9. A \_\_\_\_\_ is made up of one type of living thing, for instance, all the roses in a garden.

**What happens when new living things move in?**

10. A new living thing introduced into an ecosystem may \_\_\_\_\_ for resources in the area.
11. A new living thing can upset the \_\_\_\_\_ among the living things in an ecosystem.
12. Introducing new living things to an ecosystem can result in other members of the community \_\_\_\_\_ .
13. In California, \_\_\_\_\_ , planted to prevent erosion, are causing the decline of native trees.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

14. How do living things respond to changes in the environment?

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# What Happens When Environments Change?

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| <b>a.</b> adaptations | <b>d.</b> ecosystem   | <b>g.</b> population |
| <b>b.</b> community   | <b>e.</b> environment |                      |
| <b>c.</b> drought     | <b>f.</b> habitat     |                      |

Match the correct letter with the description.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ A group of the same type of living things living in an area
2. \_\_\_\_\_ A long time without rain
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Everything that surrounds you
4. \_\_\_\_\_ The home of a living thing
5. \_\_\_\_\_ All the living things living in an area
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Special structures that help a living thing survive
7. \_\_\_\_\_ All the living and nonliving things in an area

# What Happens When Environments Change?

adaptations

environment

move

short-term

competition

living things

people

## Fill in the blanks.

There are many different reasons an environment can change. Some changes to an environment are \_\_\_\_\_, for instance muddy land caused by rain. Other changes have more lasting effects on the \_\_\_\_\_. These changes affect the \_\_\_\_\_ that live there. Often, an ecosystem can recover from such changes. However, other changes, such as those caused by \_\_\_\_\_, may take centuries to recover from. Many living things have \_\_\_\_\_ that allow them to survive more usual changes in the environment, such as drought. If a living thing can not adapt, it must \_\_\_\_\_ to a new location or it may die. When new living things are brought in to an environment, they often disturb the natural balance that exists. They may create more \_\_\_\_\_ for resources.

# Living Things of the Past

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What happens if the environment suddenly changes?

1. When the climate of an environment changes, some living things may die out, and become \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. Some animals are able to survive changes in the environment by \_\_\_\_\_ to it, others may move to another area.

## How can we learn about things that lived long ago?

3. Fossils are the \_\_\_\_\_ of plants and animals that lived long ago.
4. Scientists study \_\_\_\_\_ to understand more about an animal's diet, size, shape, and movement.
5. By looking at the fossils of an animal's \_\_\_\_\_ , scientists can tell what type of food the animal ate.
6. Fossils can also provide clues about the \_\_\_\_\_ , for instance, if the animal lived near a body of water.

**How are living things today similar to those that lived long ago?**

7. Scientists studying \_\_\_\_\_ have found that many plants and animals alive today look like those that were alive long ago.
8. After looking at the fossils of the \_\_\_\_\_, scientists concluded that they are related to the horseshoe crab.

**Have some animals stayed the same over time?**

9. Fossil crocodiles look \_\_\_\_\_ to crocodiles alive today.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

10. What happens to those living things that can not survive in a changing environment? How can we study these living things?

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## Records from the Past

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| <b>a.</b> adapt   | <b>d.</b> extinct | <b>g.</b> trilobite |
| <b>b.</b> ancient | <b>e.</b> fossil  |                     |
| <b>c.</b> climate | <b>f.</b> mammoth |                     |

**Match the correct letter with the description.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ An extinct animal similar to an elephant
2. \_\_\_\_\_ To change in order to survive in an environment
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Something that is very old
4. \_\_\_\_\_ An extinct marine animal that had a hard outer shell
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Something that no longer exists
6. \_\_\_\_\_ The average weather conditions for an area
7. \_\_\_\_\_ The remains of a living thing that lived long ago

## Records from the Past

adapt

environment

fossils

humans

climate

extinct

what it ate

### Fill in the blanks.

Many different things can cause change in an environment. If the \_\_\_\_\_ changes, for example, it becomes colder for a long period of time, the things that live in the area may be harmed. Some living things are able to move, others \_\_\_\_\_ to the changes. Some animals can not survive, and they die out or become \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_ also change the environment through activities such as farming and hunting. We are able to study animals that lived long ago using \_\_\_\_\_. Fossils also provide information about a plant or animal's \_\_\_\_\_. Using fossils, scientists are able to learn about the structures of an ancient living thing, as well as where it lived, \_\_\_\_\_, and how it moved.

# Looking at Dinosaurs

Read the Reading in Science feature in your textbook.

Scientists compare the structures of living animals with fossils and remains from the past. Dinosaurs were once the dominant land animals. New evidence is helping scientists find out how dinosaurs lived and why they might have disappeared. Take a look at how our views of dinosaurs have changed based on new evidence.

## 1842 Dinosaurs Are Named

British scientist Richard Owen names the group of large, extinct reptiles “dinosauria,” from Greek words meaning “fearfully great lizard.” Before that, people thought these strange bones came from dragons or giants!

## 1923 Dinosaur Nests Are Found

American scientists Roy Chapman Andrews and Walter Granger find dinosaur nests in the Gobi desert in China. The nests prove that dinosaurs laid eggs and did not give birth to live babies.

## 1995 Dinosaurs Don’t Drag Their Tails

The T. rex skeleton at the American Museum of Natural History is changed to show the predator standing on two feet with its head low and tail off the ground. This is based on studies of fossils, dinosaur tracks, and how different animals move.

## 2000 Dinosaurs Have Feathers

A team of Chinese and American scientists finds a 130-million-year-old fossil dinosaur covered from head to tail with primitive feathers. Now most scientists agree that birds are living dinosaurs!

**Cause and Effect**

- The *cause* tells why something happened.
- The *effect* is what happened because of the cause.
- Clue words such as *because, if, then,* and *in order* describe a cause and effect relationship.



**Write About It**

**Cause and Effect** What caused scientists to change some of their ideas about dinosaurs? For each sentence, describe how scientists have changed their ideas and, using “because,” list the new evidence that supports their new ideas.

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# Fossil Footprints

Read the Writing in Science feature in your textbook.



## Write About It

Write a paragraph. Tell what scientists can learn from looking at footprints of animals that lived long ago. Include facts and details. Use words such as because and so to go from one idea to the next. At the end of your paragraph, tell what conclusions scientists can draw from looking at fossil footprints.

## Getting Ideas

Do some print and online research. Find facts and details about fossil footprints.

## Planning and Organizing

Here is some information that Chua found. Write Yes if it backs up the idea that scientists can learn a lot from fossil footprints. Write No if it does not.

1. Footprints show how many toes the animal had. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Scientists can tell from the footprints whether it walked on four legs or two legs. \_\_\_\_\_
3. I saw some interesting fossils at the Natural History Museum.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Drafting**

A good topic sentence tells the main idea of the paragraph. Write your own topic sentence.

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Now write your paragraph on a separate piece of paper. Begin with your topic sentence. Include facts and details that back up your main idea. End with a conclusion about learning from fossil footprints.

**Revising and Proofreading**

Here are some sentences that Chua wrote. Use the word **because** to combine each pair.

1. Scientists know that dinosaurs roamed North America. They found dinosaur footprints there.
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2. There are many more fossil footprints than skeletons. Each animal made many tracks.
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Now revise and proofread your paragraph. Ask yourself:

- Did I begin with a topic sentence that states my main idea about fossil footprints?
- Did I include supporting facts and details?

# Environments Change

Choose the letter of the best answer.

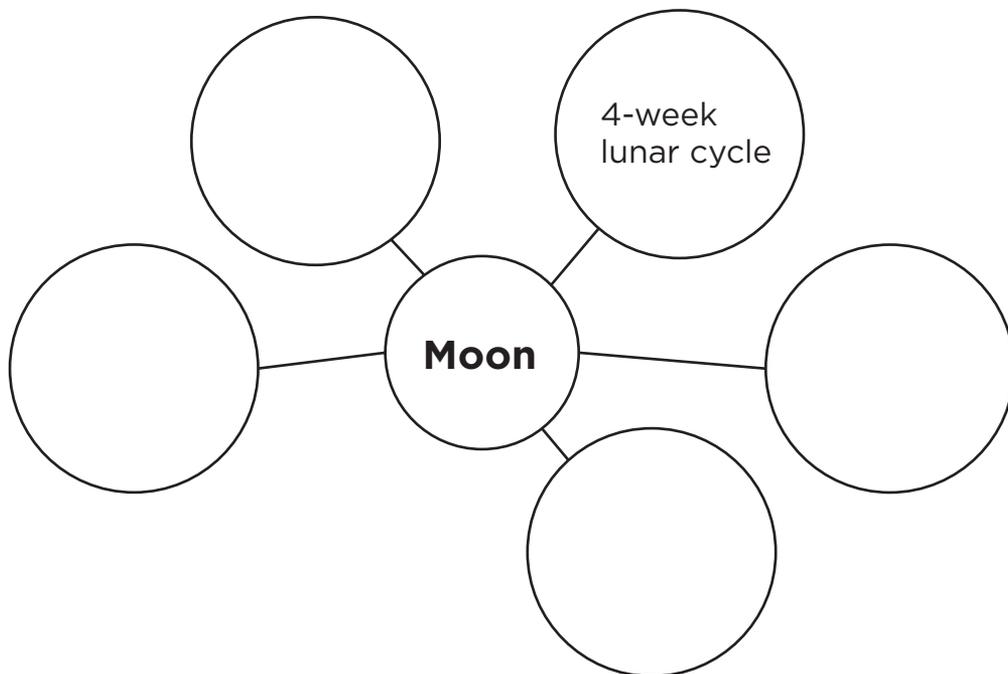
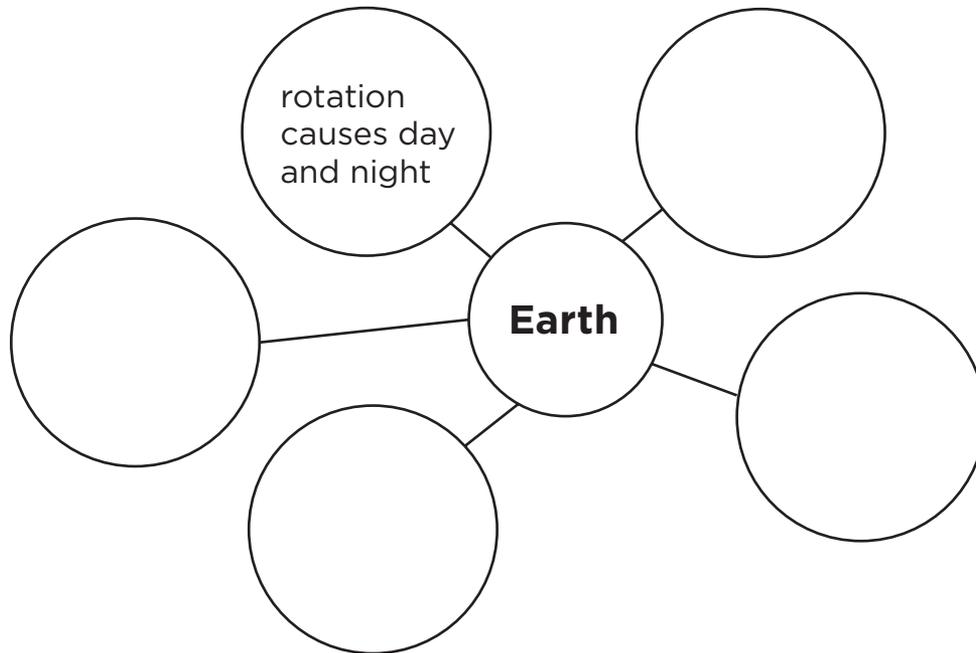
- All the living things in an ecosystem are called a(n)
  - community.
  - environment.
  - habitat.
  - population.
- Sending glass bottles to be melted and turned into new bottles is a way to
  - compete.
  - conserve.
  - recycle.
  - pollute.
- All the living and nonliving things in an area are a(n)
  - community.
  - ecosystem.
  - habitat.
  - population.
- All the individuals of one kind of living thing in an area are a(n)
  - community.
  - ecosystem.
  - environment.
  - population.
- The preserved remains of a plant or animal is a
  - community.
  - fossil.
  - habitat.
  - population.
- If there are no more of a living thing alive on Earth, it is
  - adapted.
  - conserved.
  - extinct.
  - preserved.

**Choose the letter of the best answer.**

- 7.** Dangerous chemicals or materials in the environment cause
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| <b>a.</b> flooding.     | <b>c.</b> competition. |
| <b>b.</b> conservation. | <b>d.</b> pollution.   |
- 8.** To use less of a resource is a way to
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| <b>a.</b> compete.  | <b>c.</b> recycle. |
| <b>b.</b> conserve. | <b>d.</b> pollute. |
- 9.** What word describes the living and nonliving surroundings of a living thing?
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| <b>a.</b> adaptation | <b>c.</b> environment |
| <b>b.</b> climate    | <b>d.</b> structure   |
- 10.** What happens when two living things require the same resources?
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| <b>a.</b> competition  | <b>c.</b> pollution  |
| <b>b.</b> conservation | <b>d.</b> protection |

# Our Earth, Sun, and Moon

Complete the concept map about the movement of the Earth and Moon. Some examples have been done for you.





# Day and Night

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## How does the Sun's position in the sky seem to change?

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ is highest in the sky at the middle of the day.
2. The Sun is \_\_\_\_\_ in the sky in the evening.
3. The Sun \_\_\_\_\_ in the east.
4. The Sun \_\_\_\_\_ in the west.
5. Shadows change as \_\_\_\_\_ changes.
6. Shadows are shortest at \_\_\_\_\_ .
7. In the evening, shadows are longer because the \_\_\_\_\_ is smaller than at midday.

## What causes night and day?

8. Earth is always \_\_\_\_\_ , or spinning.
9. Daylight occurs in those areas of the Earth that are \_\_\_\_\_ .
10. When an area of Earth faces away from the Sun, it is \_\_\_\_\_ there.
11. The Sun rises in the east because Earth rotates from \_\_\_\_\_ .
12. It takes Earth \_\_\_\_\_ hours to complete one rotation.

**What is an axis?**

13. Earth's axis is an imaginary line \_\_\_\_\_ .
14. Earth spins around its \_\_\_\_\_ .
15. Earth's axis is \_\_\_\_\_ , not straight.
16. The \_\_\_\_\_ is found at the south end of Earth's axis.
17. The \_\_\_\_\_ is found at the north end of Earth's axis.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

18. What causes day and night?

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# Day and Night

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| <b>a.</b> axis | <b>d.</b> North Pole | <b>g.</b> west |
| <b>b.</b> day  | <b>e.</b> rotate     |                |
| <b>c.</b> east | <b>f.</b> shadow     |                |

**Match the correct letter with the description.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ The time it takes Earth to completely rotate one time.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ The line around which Earth rotates.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ A dark area made when rays of light are blocked by a person or thing, and which changes when the angle of the Sun changes.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ This is where we see the Sun set.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ When things spin around their center, they do this.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ This is found at the north end of Earth's axis.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Earth rotates toward this direction.

# Day and Night

axis	goes down	overhead	shorter
day and night	longer	rises	west
daytime	nighttime	rotates	

## Fill in the blanks.

Every day, we experience day and night. The Sun \_\_\_\_\_ in the east, and sets in the \_\_\_\_\_ . Early in the day, when the Sun is low in the sky, our shadows appear \_\_\_\_\_ . As the day goes on and the angle of the Sun increases, our shadows become \_\_\_\_\_ . At noon, the Sun is directly \_\_\_\_\_ . As the afternoon becomes evening, our shadows become longer again as the Sun \_\_\_\_\_ .

Earth \_\_\_\_\_ in space. The imaginary line around which the Earth spins is called its \_\_\_\_\_. Earth's rotation causes \_\_\_\_\_. When your town faces away from the sun, it is \_\_\_\_\_. When your town faces the sun, it is \_\_\_\_\_. It takes Earth twenty-four hours to rotate one time.

# The Seasons

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## Why do seasons change?

1. Earth \_\_\_\_\_ around the Sun.
2. The path Earth travels around the Sun is called its \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. It takes Earth one year, about 365 days, to \_\_\_\_\_ .
4. Because Earth's axis is \_\_\_\_\_ , part of the Earth will tilt toward the Sun, depending on where Earth is in its orbit.
5. The northern half of the Earth experiences summer when it is tilted \_\_\_\_\_ .
6. When the northern half of Earth is tilted away from the Sun, it is \_\_\_\_\_ there.

## How does the Sun's path change from season to season?

7. In the spring, the Sun's path across the sky \_\_\_\_\_ as the days grow longer.

## What are the seasons like in other places?

8. The imaginary line that separates the Northern and Southern Hemispheres is the \_\_\_\_\_ .
9. Because the Sun strikes the equator at the same angle all year, the temperatures \_\_\_\_\_ .

10. Areas \_\_\_\_\_ do not have different seasons.
11. Areas farthest from the equator, at the poles, have \_\_\_\_\_ weather for most of the year.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

12. What causes the seasons?

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# The Seasons

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| <b>a.</b> equator             | <b>d.</b> revolves            | <b>g.</b> winter |
| <b>b.</b> Northern Hemisphere | <b>e.</b> Southern Hemisphere |                  |
| <b>c.</b> orbit               | <b>f.</b> summer              |                  |

**Match the correct letter with the description.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ The top half of Earth
- \_\_\_\_\_ The imaginary line that circles the middle of Earth
- \_\_\_\_\_ During this time of year, the Earth is tilted away from the Sun
- \_\_\_\_\_ The area of Earth below the equator
- \_\_\_\_\_ The path Earth travels as it goes around the Sun
- \_\_\_\_\_ What Earth does around the Sun
- \_\_\_\_\_ The time of year when the Sun's rays are the strongest

# The Seasons

revolves	winter	toward the Sun	one year	warm
colder	higher	Earth	shorter	

## Fill in the blanks.

In most parts of the world, people experience all four seasons. The seasons are caused by Earth's tilt and because it \_\_\_\_\_ around the Sun. It takes Earth \_\_\_\_\_ to orbit the Sun. As \_\_\_\_\_ travels around the Sun, it is tilted on its axis toward or away from the Sun. When your town is tilted away from the Sun, you experience \_\_\_\_\_. During this season, the temperatures are \_\_\_\_\_, and the days are \_\_\_\_\_.

In the summer, your town is tilted \_\_\_\_\_. The Sun is \_\_\_\_\_ in the sky and the temperatures are warm. Areas near the equator have \_\_\_\_\_ weather all year, because they receive the same amount of sunlight throughout the year.

## Seasons Where You Live

Read the Writing in Science feature in your textbook.



### Write About It

Choose a season. Tell a true story about something you did during that season that you couldn't do at another time of the year. Explain why you still remember the event. How did it make you feel? Include strong details that describe what the weather was like. Use time-order words to show the sequence of events. Remember to tell your story by using the I point of view.

Write five sentences you could use in your personal narrative. Put them in time order.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

**Drafting**

Try to grab your reader's interest right away. Here are two sentences that Anthony wrote to begin his personal narrative. Circle the one he should use.

One winter day in the mountain, I learned that weather can be a mighty foe.

My parents and I went cross-country skiing one winter day.

Now write your personal narrative. Describe what the weather was like and tell the events in time order.

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**Revising and Proofreading**

Now revise and proofread your personal narrative. Ask yourself:

- Did I use the I point of view?
- Did I tell the events in order and use time words?

# The Moon

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What are the phases of the Moon?

1. The different shapes of the Moon that we see are called \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. If the Moon appears to be getting \_\_\_\_\_ over several days, it is said to be waxing.
3. If the Moon appears to be getting \_\_\_\_\_ over several days, it is said to be a waning Moon.
4. The phase during which you cannot see the Moon is called the \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. When you are able to see the whole Moon, it is at the \_\_\_\_\_ phase.
6. When only a small amount of the Moon can be seen, it is called a \_\_\_\_\_ .
7. When almost the entire Moon can be seen, it is called a \_\_\_\_\_ .

## Why does the Moon seem to change shape?

8. \_\_\_\_\_ of the Moon is always facing the Sun.
9. We see different phases of the Moon because of its \_\_\_\_\_ around Earth.
10. The light we see coming from the Moon is a reflection of the \_\_\_\_\_ light.



# The Moon

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| <b>a.</b> Crescent Moon | <b>d.</b> lunar cycle   | <b>g.</b> phases |
| <b>b.</b> Full Moon     | <b>e.</b> lunar eclipse | <b>h.</b> waning |
| <b>c.</b> Gibbous Moon  | <b>f.</b> New Moon      | <b>i.</b> waxing |

## Match the correct letter with the description.

- \_\_\_\_\_ This is when the entire side of the Moon is visible.
- \_\_\_\_\_ This occurs when the Earth blocks sunlight from reaching the Moon.
- \_\_\_\_\_ This is when the Moon appears to be getting smaller.
- \_\_\_\_\_ These are the different shapes of the Moon we see on Earth.
- \_\_\_\_\_ This is when the Moon looks thin and curved.
- \_\_\_\_\_ This is when the Moon is more than half visible.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The 29-day period in which the Moon goes through all of its phases.
- \_\_\_\_\_ This is when the Moon appears to be getting bigger.
- \_\_\_\_\_ This is when you cannot see any surface of the Moon.

# The Moon

Crescent Moon	half	New Moon	smaller
Full Moon	lunar cycle	phases	waxing

## Fill in the blanks.

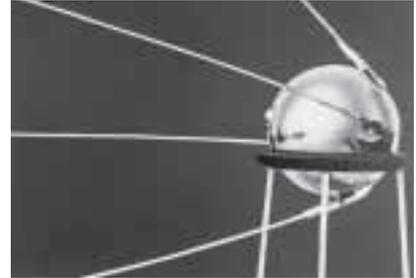
As you look at the Moon over the course of several weeks, you will notice that the Moon appears to change its shape. The different shapes of the Moon are called its \_\_\_\_\_. The period of time in which the Moon goes through all of its phases is called the \_\_\_\_\_. In the first phase, you cannot see the lighted surface of the Moon; this is called the \_\_\_\_\_. Within a few days, you can see a small piece of the Moon; this is called a \_\_\_\_\_. As the Moon becomes more visible, it is said to be \_\_\_\_\_. Halfway through the cycle, you see the \_\_\_\_\_ phase. After this phase, the Moon wanes, or appears to be getting \_\_\_\_\_. When more than \_\_\_\_\_ of the moon is still visible, it is in the Gibbous Moon phase. Then, the Moon shrinks to a crescent, disappears, and the cycle begins again.

# To the Moon!

Do you ever wonder about the Moon? How do we learn what the Moon is actually like? First, people used their eyes to observe the Moon. Then they developed tools such as telescopes. Then astronauts (and robots) went up to the Moon to study it up close.



● **1957** The Soviet Sputnik (“fellow traveler”) becomes the first artificial satellite to orbit Earth.



● **1959** Luna 1, 2, & 3 are the first spacecrafts to land on the Moon. They send pictures back to Earth. This is the first time anyone can see what the dark side of the Moon looks like.



● **1969** Apollo 11 mission is the first to land a man on the Moon. Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin are the first astronauts to walk on the Moon and collect Moon samples.



● **1972** Apollo 17 is the last manned mission to the Moon. The crew spends 75 hours there. Astronauts Gene Cernan and Harrison Schmitt drive a Lunar Roving Vehicle around the surface of the Moon to collect samples.



**A Sequence**

- gives events in order
- tells what happens first, next, and last
- uses time-order words, such as *early on* and *later*, or *first* and *last*, to tell the order of events



**Write About It**

**Sequence of Events** Would you like to travel to the Moon? Write about an expedition to the Moon. Be sure your story tells what happens first, next, and last.

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# Our Earth, Sun, and Moon

Choose the letter of the best answer.

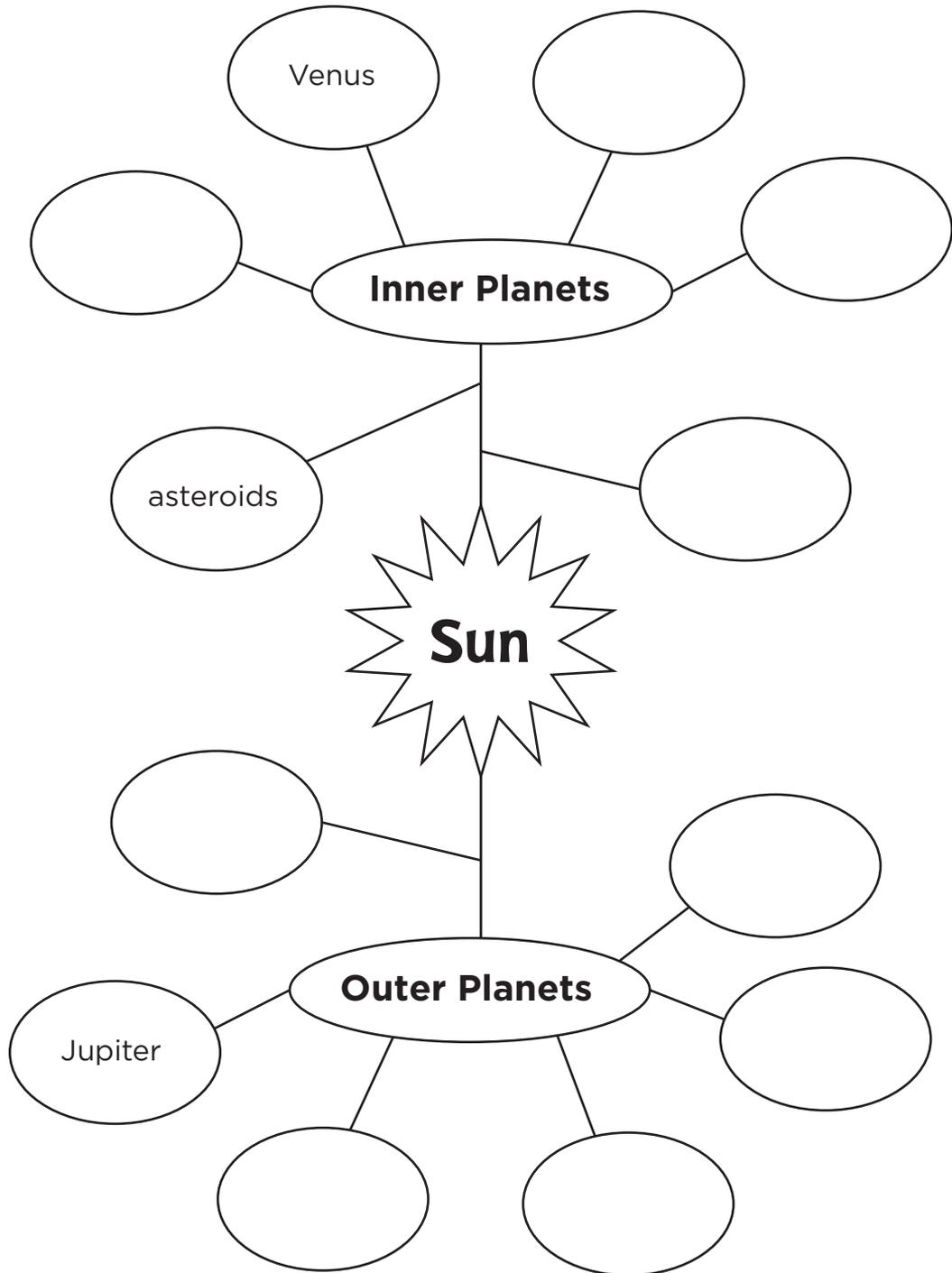
1. What occurs when Earth's shadow falls on the Moon?
  - a. lunar cycle
  - b. lunar eclipse
  - c. phase
  - d. orbit
2. A real or imaginary line through the center of an object is a(n)
  - a. axis.
  - b. cycle.
  - c. equator.
  - d. phase.
3. The sequence of shapes the Moon goes through in a month is called a(n)
  - a. lunar cycle.
  - b. lunar eclipse.
  - c. orbit.
  - d. phase.
4. The path an object takes when revolving around another object is called a(n)
  - a. axis.
  - b. cycle.
  - c. eclipse.
  - d. orbit.

**Choose the letter of the best answer.**

- 5.** An object moving around another object is said to
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| <b>a.</b> axis.  | <b>c.</b> eclipse. |
| <b>b.</b> cycle. | <b>d.</b> revolve. |
- 6.** A phase of the Moon is its
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| <b>a.</b> shape. | <b>c.</b> equator. |
| <b>b.</b> cycle. | <b>d.</b> axis.    |
- 7.** An object that turns around its axis is said to
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| <b>a.</b> cycle.   | <b>c.</b> orbit.  |
| <b>b.</b> eclipse. | <b>d.</b> rotate. |
- 8.** An imaginary line around the middle of Earth is a(n)
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| <b>a.</b> axis.  | <b>c.</b> equator. |
| <b>b.</b> cycle. | <b>d.</b> phase.   |

# A Closer Look at the Solar System

Complete the concept map about our solar system. Some examples have been done for you.





# Our Solar System

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What is the solar system?

1. The Sun and the objects that orbit around it are called the \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. A large ball that orbits the Sun is called a \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. Our solar system contains nine \_\_\_\_\_ including Earth.
4. Many of these planets have one or more \_\_\_\_\_ that orbit them.
5. Each planet \_\_\_\_\_ around the Sun.
6. Some of the planets are smaller or larger than the planet \_\_\_\_\_ .

## What are the planets like?

7. Four planets closest to the Sun are Mercury, Venus, Earth, and \_\_\_\_\_ .
8. These four planets are called \_\_\_\_\_ planets.
9. These planets are warmer than the other planets because they are \_\_\_\_\_ .

**What else is in our solar system?**

10. Also part of our solar system are \_\_\_\_\_ ,  
\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ .
11. Thousands of asteroids are found in the asteroid belt between  
the \_\_\_\_\_ planets.
12. Comets are mostly \_\_\_\_\_ mixed with  
\_\_\_\_\_ .
13. Meteors are small pieces of broken-off  
\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ .
14. Meteors are made up of \_\_\_\_\_ ,  
\_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_ .
15. Meteors usually burn up in \_\_\_\_\_  
atmosphere.
16. Earth's atmosphere is a layer of \_\_\_\_\_ that  
surrounds our \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Summarize the Main Idea**

17. What makes up our solar system?

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# Our Solar System

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| <b>a.</b> asteroid      | <b>d.</b> meteor    | <b>g.</b> solar system  |
| <b>b.</b> comet         | <b>e.</b> meteorite | <b>h.</b> star          |
| <b>c.</b> inner planets | <b>f.</b> planet    | <b>i.</b> outer planets |

**Match the correct letter with the description.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ It is a hot, glowing ball of gases.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It is a large ball in space that orbits the Sun.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It flies through the sky and hits Earth.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It moves around the Sun in long, narrow orbits.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It is made up of the Sun, planets, their moons, and meteors.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It is found between the inner and outer planets.

**Choose a word from the word box above that describes the words in each group.**

_____	_____	_____
Mercury	Jupiter	asteroid
Venus	Saturn	comet
Earth	Uranus	meteorite
Mars	Neptune	
	Pluto	

# Our Solar System

Earth	Sun	Mars	solar system	farthest
Mercury	Venus	asteroids	star	comets
moons	planets	meteors	solid	

**Fill in the blanks.**

Earth is one of many planets that are part of our solar system. Large balls that orbit the Sun are \_\_\_\_\_. They change positions in the sky because they revolve around the \_\_\_\_\_. You can also find one or more \_\_\_\_\_ that orbit each planet. Planets closest to the Sun are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. These small planets are made up of \_\_\_\_\_ rock-like material. Planets that are \_\_\_\_\_ from the Sun are Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto. Besides planets and their moons, our solar system has \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. The Sun is at the center of our \_\_\_\_\_. It is actually a \_\_\_\_\_. It is a hot, glowing ball of gases.

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# Telescopes: Discovering the Solar System

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What is a telescope?

1. One tool scientists use to study objects and places in space is a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. A telescope gathers light to make faraway objects appear \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. A telescope has \_\_\_\_\_ that gather light.
4. A curved piece of glass is called a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. One of the best places for a telescope is in \_\_\_\_\_ .
6. One telescope that travels around Earth is the \_\_\_\_\_ telescope.
7. The Hubble telescope takes pictures of our solar system and sends them back to \_\_\_\_\_ .
8. As the Hubble telescope travels around Earth, it can see objects \_\_\_\_\_ than telescopes on Earth.
9. Special telescopes can detect \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , or \_\_\_\_\_ from space.

**How did we learn about space?**

- 10.** At first, people believed that the \_\_\_\_\_ circled \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 11.** In 1543, Copernicus said that the \_\_\_\_\_ , not \_\_\_\_\_ , was the center of the solar system.
- 12.** In 1609, \_\_\_\_\_ used his telescope to discover evidence that \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 13.** Since 1609, scientists have seen the planets \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 14.** Scientists have also learned that there are \_\_\_\_\_ in the sky.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

- 15.** How have telescopes helped scientists learn about our solar system?

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# Telescopes: Discovering the Solar System

**a.** Copernicus**d.** lens**g.** telescope**b.** Galileo**e.** Neptune**h.** Uranus**c.** Hubble**f.** Pluto

## Who am I? What am I?

Choose a word from the word box above that answers each question.

1. I am a large planet that rotates on its side. Scientists saw me through telescopes. Who am I? \_\_\_\_\_
2. I am a curved piece of glass. What am I? \_\_\_\_\_
3. I am the person who said the Sun was the center of the solar system. Who am I? \_\_\_\_\_
4. I travel around Earth taking pictures of our solar system. What am I? \_\_\_\_\_
5. I have a Green Dark Spot on me. Scientists saw me through telescopes. Who am I? \_\_\_\_\_
6. I used a telescope to discover evidence that Earth orbits the Sun. Who am I? \_\_\_\_\_
7. I am a tool scientists use to make objects appear closer, clearer, and larger. What am I? \_\_\_\_\_
8. I am a planet so far away that very little is known about me. Scientists see me through telescopes. Who am I? \_\_\_\_\_

# Telescopes: Discovering the Solar System

closer	Hubble telescope	Earth	Sun
larger	clearer	Uranus	Neptune
telescope	Pluto	glass	X-rays
lenses	radio waves	billions	infrared waves

**Fill in the blanks.**

Scientists study space with many kinds of telescopes. These special tools allow scientists to see distant objects \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_ . Telescopes gather light with \_\_\_\_\_ . Each lens is a curved piece of \_\_\_\_\_ . Back in 1609, Galileo used his \_\_\_\_\_ to discover evidence that \_\_\_\_\_ orbits the \_\_\_\_\_ . Scientists have used pictures from the \_\_\_\_\_ to learn more about our solar system. They have learned that there are \_\_\_\_\_ of stars. They also have learned the existence of three planets: \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_ . Besides light, telescopes can gather other information from space such as \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , or \_\_\_\_\_ .

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# The Stars

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What are stars?

1. An example of a medium-sized star is \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. The Sun looks larger than most stars because \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. Star-like objects that move in the night sky are \_\_\_\_\_ .
4. Because planets, including Earth, move in their orbits, the positions of the planets \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. You can see more stars through a \_\_\_\_\_ than you can see with \_\_\_\_\_ .

## What is a constellation?

6. Groups of stars that form a pattern or picture are called a \_\_\_\_\_ .
7. To many people, star patterns looked like \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ .
8. You can see constellations move in the sky throughout the night because \_\_\_\_\_ .
9. Scientists use the names of \_\_\_\_\_ constellations to group the stars.

**Why do we see different stars during different seasons?**

- 10.** As Earth travels around the Sun, different constellations of \_\_\_\_\_ appear each month.
- 11.** Summer and winter skies are \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 12.** You can see the constellation Orion only in the \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 13.** If you look out into space at night, you are looking \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 14.** If you look out into space at daytime, you are looking \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Summarize the Main Idea**

- 15.** What are two reasons why people gave names to constellations?

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# The Stars

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| <b>a.</b> binoculars    | <b>d.</b> Orion  | <b>g.</b> star      |
| <b>b.</b> constellation | <b>e.</b> planet | <b>h.</b> Sun       |
| <b>c.</b> magnify       | <b>f.</b> rotate | <b>i.</b> telescope |

**Match the correct letter with the description.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ A hot, glowing ball of gases
2. \_\_\_\_\_ A name of a constellation
3. \_\_\_\_\_ A medium-sized star
4. \_\_\_\_\_ A pattern or picture outlined by stars
5. \_\_\_\_\_ A tool to magnify the stars
6. \_\_\_\_\_ To turn or to revolve
7. \_\_\_\_\_ A tool to magnify scenery
8. \_\_\_\_\_ A large ball in space that orbits the Sun
9. \_\_\_\_\_ To make larger

# The Stars

animals	direction	night sky	seasons	time
constellations	during	people	telescope	to move

Fill in the blanks. You will use one of the words twice.

Every night the stars come out. The stars are always in the sky, even \_\_\_\_\_ the day. Different stars appear during different \_\_\_\_\_. Because Earth rotates on its axis, stars appear \_\_\_\_\_ but actually do not. You can see more stars through a \_\_\_\_\_ than with your eyes. Long ago, people thought that groups of stars reminded them of \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_. They gave names to groups of stars to make sense of the \_\_\_\_\_. Orion, the Big Dipper, and the Little Dipper are names of \_\_\_\_\_. People used constellations to help them tell \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. Today, scientists still use the names of 88 constellations.

## Meet Orsola De Marco

When you look at a star, do you ever wonder about its life? Orsola de Marco does. She's a scientist at the American Museum of Natural History in New York. Orsola studies stars that are found together in pairs. As far as we know, our Sun is a star that stands alone. But most stars in the universe have a partner. They are called binary stars.

Of course Orsola can't go to the stars. So, she travels to Arizona, Hawaii, and Chile to use large telescopes. She gazes billions of miles into space to get a good look at binary stars. She watches how the stars influence each other. When a star gets old, it becomes larger. If there is another star nearby, it might get eaten up, or absorbed, by the expanding old star. No one is sure what will happen after that. Will the smaller star just disappear? Orsola is working to find out.



**A Summary**

- identifies the subject
- states the main idea
- gives the important details



**Write About It**

**Summarize** What would you study if you were an astrophysicist? Choose something you would like to study in space and write about it. Summarize some things you would like to learn. Tell why this interests you.

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# Stars to Freedom



## Write About It

Write a paragraph that summarizes “Stars to Freedom.” Include a topic sentence that states the main idea about the piece. Then in your own words, tell the most important facts and details from “Stars to Freedom.” Be brief, but explain how people used the Big Dipper to travel to freedom.

## Getting Ideas

Make sure you know what a summary is before you begin to write. Read each sentence below. Write True or False.

1. A summary is shorter than the article. \_\_\_\_\_
2. A summary is longer than the article. \_\_\_\_\_
3. A summary uses your own words. \_\_\_\_\_
4. A summary uses the exact words from the article.  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. A summary contains both important and unimportant details.  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. A summary contains only important information.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Drafting**

Write the main idea of “Stars to Freedom” on the lines below.

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Now write your summary. Begin with a topic sentence that tells your main idea. Include only important facts and details. End with a conclusion based on these facts.

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**Revising and Proofreading**

Here are some sentences from one student’s summary. Find nine places where there should be a capital letter. Correct these errors.

“Stars to Freedom” shows how enslaved African americans used the stars to find freedom in the north. The handle of the big dipper points to the north star. They used the folk song “follow the drinking gourd” as a code.

Now revise and proofread your summary. Ask yourself:

- Did I include only important facts and details?
- Did I draw a conclusion at the end?
- Did I correct all grammar errors?

# A Closer Look at the Solar System

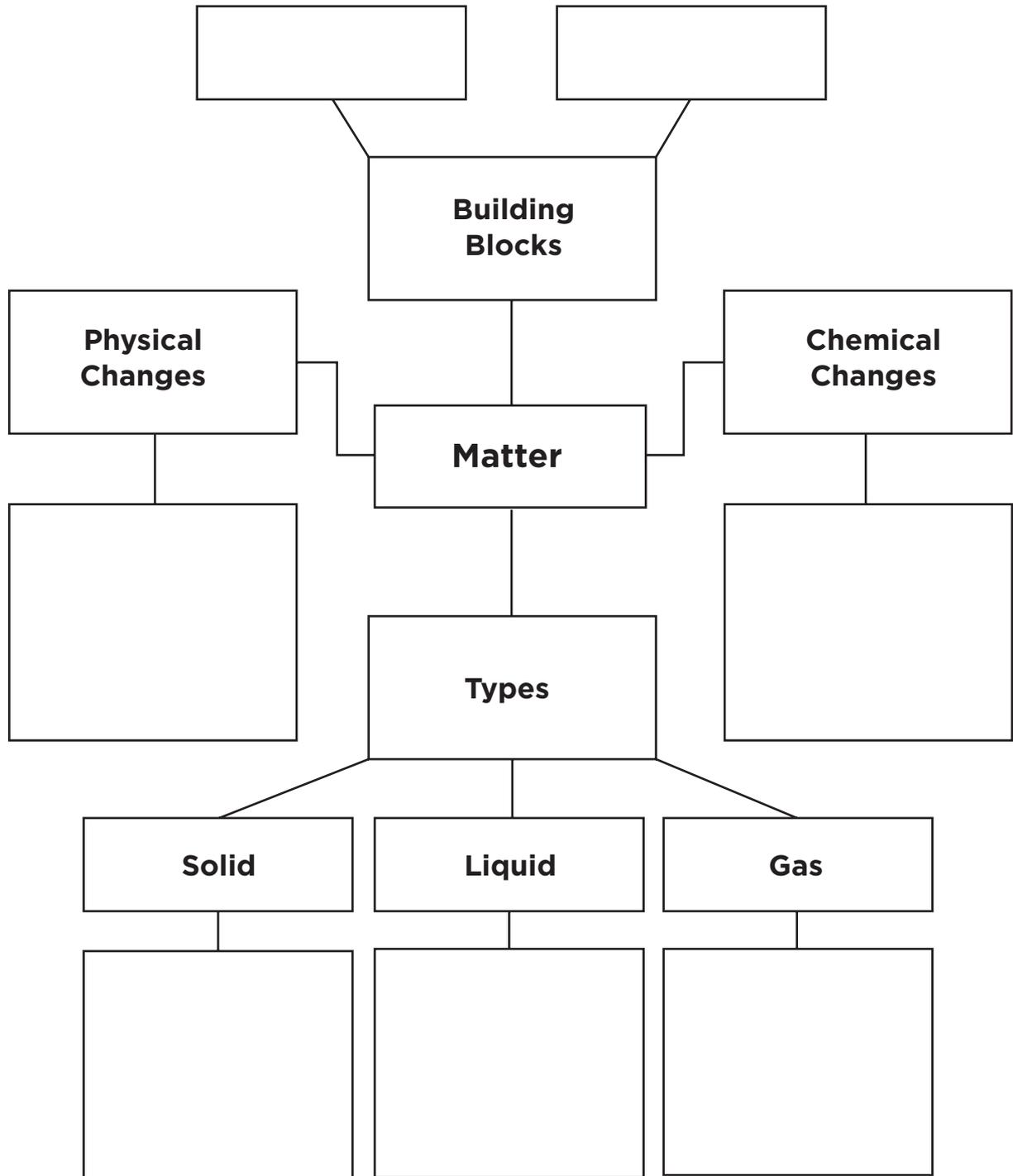
Choose the letter of the best answer.

1. What is a small piece of ice and rock orbiting the Sun?
  - a. comet
  - b. constellation
  - c. meteor
  - d. planet
2. A pattern outlined by stars is a(n)
  - a. asteroid.
  - b. constellation.
  - c. meteor.
  - d. solar system.
3. A star and all the objects orbiting around it is a(n)
  - a. asteroid.
  - b. constellation.
  - c. meteor.
  - d. solar system.
4. A lens is a(n)
  - a. constellation.
  - b. curved piece of glass.
  - c. kind of telescope.
  - d. light in space.
5. What is a smaller piece of rock or metal orbiting the Sun?
  - a. asteroid
  - b. constellation
  - c. meteor
  - d. planet



# Matter

Complete the concept map with the information you learned about matter in Chapter 6.





# Solids, Liquids, and Gases

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What is Matter?

1. Matter is anything that has mass and \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. Mass is the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ an object has.
3. If two objects are the same size and shape, but one has more matter, it has more \_\_\_\_\_ .
4. An object's \_\_\_\_\_ are ways to describe it, including color and texture.
5. Mass, one of many properties that can be measured, can be measured with a \_\_\_\_\_ .

## How do we classify matter?

6. Three states that matter can be grouped into are \_\_\_\_\_ .
7. Solids have a definite \_\_\_\_\_ and shape.
8. Volume is the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ an object takes up.
9. Liquids have a definite volume, and \_\_\_\_\_ shape.
10. Gases have no definite \_\_\_\_\_ .

**What happens when heat is added to matter?**

11. When heat is added to matter, it gains \_\_\_\_\_ .
12. When a substance gains energy, its \_\_\_\_\_ increases.
13. When heat energy is added to a solid, it will \_\_\_\_\_ , becoming a liquid.
14. When heat is added to a liquid, it will \_\_\_\_\_ , becoming a gas.
15. When heat is taken away from matter, it loses \_\_\_\_\_ and its temperature decreases.
16. When a liquid loses heat energy, it freezes, and becomes a \_\_\_\_\_ .
17. When gases lose heat energy, they become liquids by \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Summarize the Main Idea**

18. What are the three states of matter and how does heat affect a substance's state of matter?

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# Solids, Liquids, and Gases

**a.** condense**d.** liquid**g.** melt**b.** evaporate**e.** mass**h.** solid**c.** gas**f.** matter

**Match the correct letter with the description.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ The amount of matter in an object
2. \_\_\_\_\_ When a gas becomes a liquid
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Carbon dioxide is one, because it takes the shape and volume of its container.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ When a liquid becomes a gas
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Your pen is one, because it has a definite volume and shape
6. \_\_\_\_\_ A glass of lemonade is one, because it takes the shape of its container, but has a definite volume
7. \_\_\_\_\_ When a solid becomes a liquid
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Anything that has mass and takes up space

## Solids, Liquids, and Gases

condense	heat	mass	solid
gas	liquid	matter	

Fill in the blanks. Some answers may be used more than once.

Everything that you are able to see, touch, smell, and feel is matter. Matter is anything that has \_\_\_\_\_ and takes up space. \_\_\_\_\_ can be classified according to its state. A \_\_\_\_\_ piece of matter has definite volume and shape. A \_\_\_\_\_ has no definite shape, but a definite volume.

A \_\_\_\_\_, such as oxygen, has neither a definite volume nor shape. When \_\_\_\_\_ energy is added to matter, changes to its state may occur. For instance, when a solid piece of ice is heated, it may melt, becoming a liquid. When heat is added to a liquid, it can evaporate, becoming a \_\_\_\_\_. When heat is taken away, a liquid can freeze, becoming a \_\_\_\_\_. When heat is taken away from a gas, it can \_\_\_\_\_, becoming a liquid.

# Building Blocks of Matter

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What are elements?

1. Everything is made up of \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. \_\_\_\_\_ make up matter.
3. Matter can be made up of \_\_\_\_\_ elements.
4. When elements combine to form new substances, the resulting substances have \_\_\_\_\_ properties.

## What are atoms?

5. No matter how small you divide an element into pieces you are able to see, it will have \_\_\_\_\_ properties.
6. Scientists must use special microscopes called \_\_\_\_\_ in to order to see the atom.
7. The smallest part of matter that keeps its properties is an \_\_\_\_\_ .
8. All of an element's atoms have the same \_\_\_\_\_ as the element.

## How do we arrange elements?

9. A periodic table shows all of the \_\_\_\_\_ .
10. Each element in the \_\_\_\_\_ is represented by a symbol.
11. Other information in the periodic table includes an element's \_\_\_\_\_ .
12. Elements in the same column of the periodic table share common \_\_\_\_\_ .

13. Elements on the left side of the periodic table are usually \_\_\_\_\_ .
14. Hydrogen can be found on the left side of the periodic table, but it is a \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Summarize the Main Idea**

15. What are elements and how do scientists organize them?

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## Building Blocks of Matter

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| <b>a.</b> atom                | <b>d.</b> matter     | <b>g.</b> periodic table |
| <b>b.</b> electron microscope | <b>e.</b> metals     |                          |
| <b>c.</b> elements            | <b>f.</b> non-metals |                          |

**Match the correct letter with the description.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ A device that allows scientists to see the smallest parts of matter
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Everything we can see, touch, and feel.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ The smallest part of an element that has all of the element's properties.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ All matter is made up of these.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ A chart containing information for every element known.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ These elements are found on the right side of the periodic table.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ These elements, including iron, are found on the left side of the periodic table.

## Building Blocks of Matter

atoms

metals

smallest

elements

periodic table

properties

### Fill in the blanks.

Everything that we know of is made up of matter. All matter is made up of \_\_\_\_\_. Some matter, such as oxygen, is made up of only one element. Other matter is made up of more than one element joined together. Water is made up of the elements hydrogen and oxygen. The \_\_\_\_\_ part of an element that still keeps the element's properties is an atom. Because they are too small to see with the human eye, scientists study \_\_\_\_\_ using tools like the electron microscope.

Scientists group all of the elements in a chart called the \_\_\_\_\_. The periodic table also contains information about groups of elements. On the periodic table, a column of elements have similar \_\_\_\_\_. For instance, \_\_\_\_\_ are found on the left side of the periodic table and nonmetals are found on the right side. The periodic table is a tool where you find out many properties of elements.

# Meet a Scientist

## Meet Neil deGrasse Tyson

Did you know that you are “star dust”? Neil deGrasse Tyson can tell you what that means. He’s a scientist at the American Museum of Natural History in New York.

Your body is full of hydrogen, carbon, calcium and many other atoms. All these atoms were first formed in the stars a long time ago. So were the silicon, iron, and oxygen atoms that form most of the Earth’s inside.

How did these elements make their way from the stars to your body?

Most elements form inside the fiery and dense centers of stars. Hydrogen, the simplest of the elements, combines to form helium, carbon, and all the other elements in these conditions. Throughout their lives, stars scatter elements into space. Over millions of years, these elements combine to form new stars, or planets, or even living things, like you!



**Neil deGrasse Tyson is an astrophysicist, a scientist who studies how the universe works.**

**Main Idea and Details**

**The Main Idea**

- tells the most important message of the text.
- is supported by details, facts, and examples.



**Write About It**

**Main Idea** Think of a question you would like to ask scientist Neil deGrasse Tyson. Research and write about the tools that scientists use to discover facts about elements in the universe.

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# Building Blocks of Matter

Read the Writing in Science feature in your textbook.



## Write About It

Write a paragraph telling about the building blocks of matter. Begin your paragraph with a topic sentence. This sentence should state the main idea. Then include facts and details that support the main idea or add more information about it. End with a conclusion based on your facts and details.

## Getting Ideas

Do some online and print research. Find facts about the building blocks of matter.

## Planning and Organizing

Write two sentences that tell about the building blocks of matter.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Drafting**

Write a topic sentence for your paragraph.

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Now write the first draft of your paragraph on a separate sheet of paper. Begin with your topic sentence. Tell facts and details about the building blocks of matter. Draw a conclusion at the end.

**Revising and Proofreading**

Proofread these sentences that Carlos wrote. Each sentence has a grammar error. Find the error and correct it. Write the correct sentence on the line.

1. All the atoms in an element is alike.

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2. Two atoms of hydrogen and one atom of oxygen combines to form water.

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Now revise and proofread your paragraph. Ask yourself:

- Did I begin with a topic sentence that tells my main idea?
- Did I include facts and details to back up my main idea?
- Did I draw a conclusion at the end?
- Did I correct all grammar errors?

# Changing Matter

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What are physical changes?

1. When matter changes only in ways that you can see, such as getting smaller, it has gone through a \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. When something goes through a physical change, its properties \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. When a solid becomes a liquid, it goes through a \_\_\_\_\_ change.
4. When water boils, becoming steam, this is a \_\_\_\_\_ change.
5. When you mix different types of matter together and their properties do not change, you have created a \_\_\_\_\_ .
6. Mixing oil and vinegar together to make salad dressing is an example of a \_\_\_\_\_ change.
7. When someone pours milk into their coffee, they have created a \_\_\_\_\_ .
8. Stirring an egg is an example of a \_\_\_\_\_ change.

## What are chemical changes?

9. When substance goes through a change where new matter is created, it is a \_\_\_\_\_ change.

**What are the signs of a chemical change?**

10. Light and heat may be produced during a \_\_\_\_\_ .
11. When a substance changes \_\_\_\_\_ , for example, when iron rusts and turns brownish-red, this is a sign that a chemical change has occurred.
12. If you see bubbles form when two substances are combined, this indicates that a \_\_\_\_\_ has formed, another sign that a chemical change has occurred.
13. When fireworks explode, \_\_\_\_\_ and heat indicate a chemical change has occurred.
14. Cooking an egg is an example of a \_\_\_\_\_ change.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

15. Describe the two ways that matter can change. How can you tell which type of change has occurred?

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## Changing Matter

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| <b>a.</b> burning         | <b>d.</b> mixture         | <b>g.</b> spoils |
| <b>b.</b> chemical change | <b>e.</b> physical change |                  |
| <b>c.</b> elements        | <b>f.</b> rust            |                  |

**Match the correct letter with the description.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Matter changes, but its makeup does not change.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ This chemical change results in the formation of light and heat.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ When fruit does this, it is a chemical change of the matter.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Matter changes, and its properties and makeup also change.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ A combination of matter, such as salt water, in which the makeup remains the same
6. \_\_\_\_\_ The building blocks of matter
7. \_\_\_\_\_ This occurs when iron materials are left outside and undergo a chemical change.

## Changing Matter

chemical change	light	matter	new
gas	makeup	melts	physical change

### Fill in the blanks.

Every day, we see matter change. For example, if you tear a piece of paper, the paper undergoes a \_\_\_\_\_. The \_\_\_\_\_ and properties of the matter do not change.

Another physical change that we can see is when an ice cube \_\_\_\_\_. A \_\_\_\_\_ causes a \_\_\_\_\_ substance to be made. When a log burns, the ashes that are formed are a different type of \_\_\_\_\_ than the original wood. There are many ways to observe that a chemical change has occurred in matter. For example, when we see a piece of paper burning, we see \_\_\_\_\_ and feel heat.

Color change is another observation. Finally, if you see a \_\_\_\_\_ released, you know that a chemical change has occurred. These changes in the matter indicate that the substance is now a new type of matter.

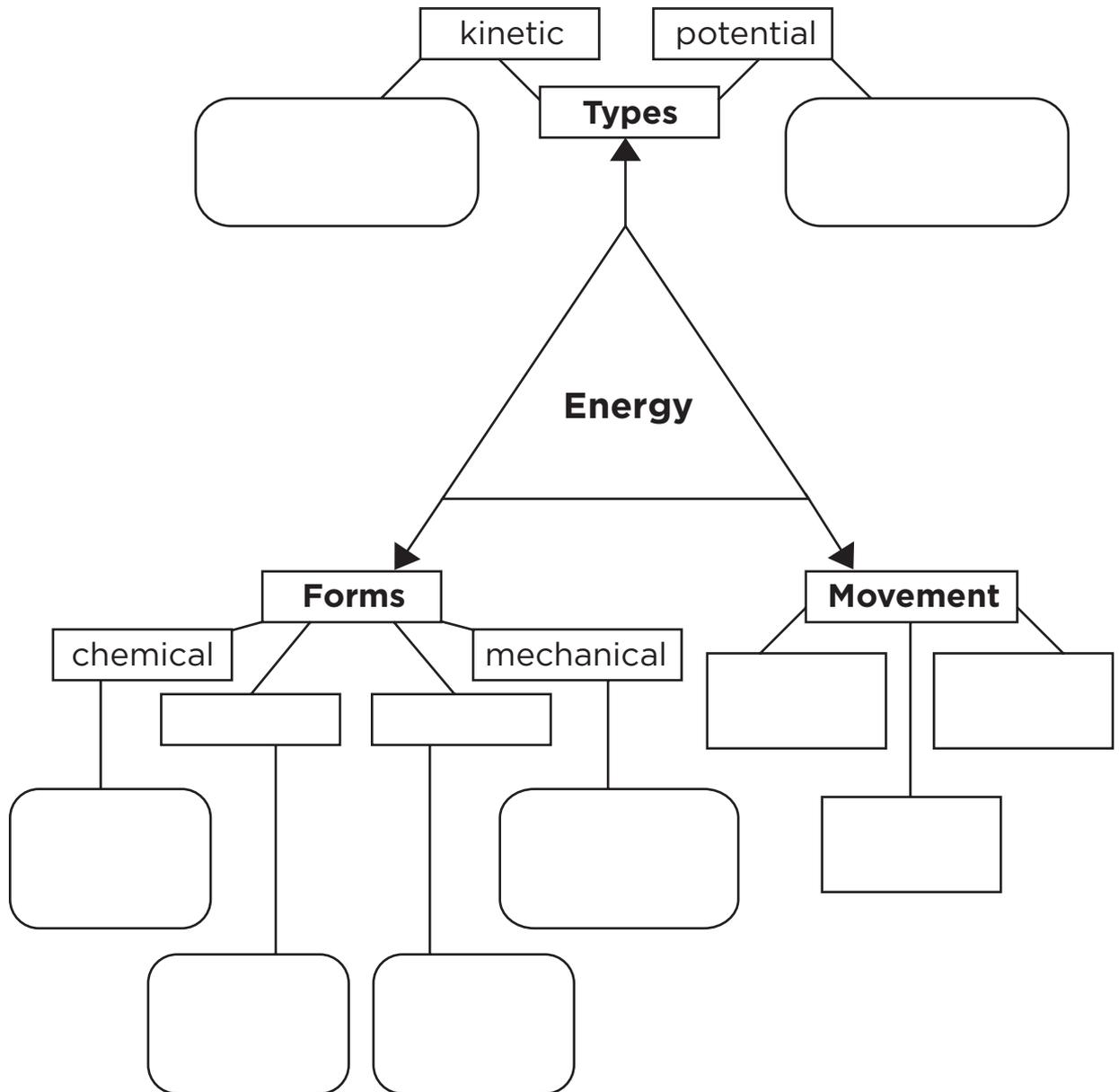
# Matter

- Your body, desk, and the air you breathe are all
  - gases.
  - liquids.
  - matter.
  - solids.
- An atom
  - is very large.
  - is always a liquid or a solid.
  - is the smallest unit of an element.
  - only experiences physical changes.
- The building blocks of matter are **best** described as
  - elements.
  - gases.
  - mass.
  - solids.
- Which of the following shows that a chemical change has happened?
  - a torn sheet of paper
  - a piece of spoiled fruit
  - water freezing into ice
  - a mixture of tea and water
- When ice melts, water becomes
  - a gas.
  - a liquid.
  - a solid.
  - a powder.
- What is the measure of matter in an object?
  - mass
  - shape
  - size
  - weight

7. A liquid has
- a. definite shape and volume.
  - b. no definite shape or volume.
  - c. definite shape.
  - d. definite volume.
8. When a liquid gains heat energy it can
- a. condense.
  - b. evaporate.
  - c. freeze.
  - d. melt.
9. Which of the following is NOT a physical change in matter?
- a. A new substance was formed after a reaction.
  - b. Matter changed from a liquid to a solid.
  - c. Matter formed a gas when heat energy was added.
  - d. Substances have the same properties after they are mixed.
10. What has happened when condensing occurs?
- a. Heat was added to a solid.
  - b. Heat was added to a liquid.
  - c. A gas has lost heat energy.
  - d. A solid has lost heat energy.
11. The periodic table is a chart that shows a list of
- a. atoms.
  - b. elements.
  - c. only gases.
  - d. only solids.

# Energy

Complete the concept map with the information you learned about energy. Some answers have been written for you.





# Energy All Around

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What is energy?

1. Energy is the ability to do \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. All living things need energy to \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. \_\_\_\_\_ enables things to move and grow.
4. When a solid block of ice gains energy, it melts, which is a \_\_\_\_\_ change.
5. Burning a piece of paper is an example of energy causing matter to undergo a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ change.

## What are some forms of energy?

6. Gasoline, batteries, and food all contain \_\_\_\_\_ .
7. Computer printers use \_\_\_\_\_ energy.
8. The hotter something becomes, the more \_\_\_\_\_ it has.
9. Moving objects contain \_\_\_\_\_ .
10. Energy can be converted from one form to another. For instance, when a fire burns, chemical energy in wood is converted to \_\_\_\_\_ and heat energy.

## What is Earth's main source of energy?

11. Earth's main source of energy is the \_\_\_\_\_ .
12. Different areas of Earth receive more direct sunlight because of Earth's \_\_\_\_\_ .
13. We see the Sun's energy in the form of \_\_\_\_\_ .

14. We feel the Sun's energy in the form of \_\_\_\_\_ .

15. Plants use light energy from the Sun to make

\_\_\_\_\_ .

### How does the Sun's energy change matter?

16. \_\_\_\_\_ energy from the Sun causes matter to gain thermal energy.

17. When ice gains heat energy, it melts and becomes a

\_\_\_\_\_ .

18. When liquid water such as a puddle gains heat energy, it

\_\_\_\_\_ and becomes a gas.

### Summarize the Main Idea

19. What is energy? What is the main source of Earth's energy?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

# Energy All Around

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>a.</b> chemical energy   | <b>d.</b> friction          | <b>g.</b> thermal energy |
| <b>b.</b> electrical energy | <b>e.</b> light energy      |                          |
| <b>c.</b> energy            | <b>f.</b> mechanical energy |                          |

**Match the correct letter with the description.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ The more of this an object has, the warmer it becomes.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ This energy is stored in matter.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ This energy is found in running water.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ This energy is seen coming from a lamp that is switched on.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ This is the ability to do work.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ This energy occurs in plugged-in items such as a vacuum.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ This force opposes motion when two objects are touching.

## Energy all Around

chemical

light

physical

electrical

matter

Sun

heat or thermal

mechanical

work

### Fill in the blanks.

When you feel tired, you may feel like you have no energy. Energy is the ability to do \_\_\_\_\_. Energy can make \_\_\_\_\_ undergo both physical and chemical changes. When heat energy is added to a block of ice, for instance, it melts. Melting is a \_\_\_\_\_ change. When a piece of paper burns because it gains energy from a fire, it undergoes a \_\_\_\_\_ change. \_\_\_\_\_ energy enables us to watch television. When we are cold, we have less \_\_\_\_\_ energy than when we are warm. When things are moving, they have \_\_\_\_\_ energy. The main source of Earth's energy is the \_\_\_\_\_. We see the Sun's energy as \_\_\_\_\_ and feel it as heat. The Sun's energy can cause other changes in matter as well.

## Using Energy

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

### What are potential energy and kinetic energy?

1. The energy stored in objects is called \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. The higher up a resting object is, the \_\_\_\_\_ potential energy it has.
3. The energy that moving objects have is called \_\_\_\_\_ .
4. A rolling bowling ball contains \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. An object sitting on top of a hill has more \_\_\_\_\_ than an object sitting at the bottom of the hill.
6. A chair has \_\_\_\_\_ energy.

### What are some sources of stored energy?

7. A battery contains stored \_\_\_\_\_ energy.
8. When a battery-operated lantern is turned on, the stored chemical energy is first converted to \_\_\_\_\_ energy.
9. Electrical energy in a lamp is converted into light \_\_\_\_\_ energy.
10. A match also has stored \_\_\_\_\_ energy.
11. When its potential energy is used up, a match \_\_\_\_\_ .

12. The food we eat has \_\_\_\_\_ .
13. We use the energy in \_\_\_\_\_ to do all the things that keep us alive.

**How is stored energy changed?**

14. A gas stove converts the energy stored in natural gas to \_\_\_\_\_ energy.
15. An automobile engine changes the chemical energy stored in gasoline into \_\_\_\_\_ energy.
16. We also convert stored energy into \_\_\_\_\_ when we break down the food we eat and are able to walk around the room.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

17. What is the difference between potential energy and kinetic energy?

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## Using Energy

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>a.</b> battery         | <b>d.</b> heat energy    | <b>g.</b> potential energy |
| <b>b.</b> chemical energy | <b>e.</b> kinetic energy |                            |
| <b>c.</b> energy          | <b>f.</b> motion         |                            |

**Match the correct letter with the description.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ An object that has a lot of this feels hot.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ This type of energy is found in food.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Chemical energy is found here.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ This is the movement of an object.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ This is the ability to do work.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ A moving object has this energy.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ This is stored energy.

# Using Energy

chemical	electricity	kinetic energy
chemical energy	food	potential
convert or change	kinetic	stored or potential

## Fill in the blanks.

All objects can be considered to contain energy. Objects that are not moving, such as a ball resting on the floor, contain stored energy called \_\_\_\_\_ energy. When a ball rolls across the floor, it is an object in motion, so it has \_\_\_\_\_ energy. There are many sources of \_\_\_\_\_ energy. A battery also contains stored \_\_\_\_\_ energy. This stored energy can be released to provide \_\_\_\_\_ that is then converted to light, sound, or other forms of energy. Automobiles are able to \_\_\_\_\_ stored energy into energy that enables them to drive down the street. People use the energy stored in \_\_\_\_\_ to walk, run, and jump. When we move, we are using \_\_\_\_\_. That kinetic energy comes from the food we eat, which has \_\_\_\_\_.

# Turning the Power On

People use a lot of energy. We need it to power our cars, heat our homes, and run the many machines we use each day. Energy sources like coal or oil are limited. When they're used, they are gone forever. But other sources are renewable. Renewable means they can be used again and again. Here's a look at how people have used these alternative energy sources over time.

## 1882 Hydropower Energy

The river current turns the mill wheel, which turns a machine called a turbine. The turbine transforms the river's energy into electricity.



## 1890 Wind Energy

Wind turbines are invented in Denmark. These machines use the energy of the wind to create electricity.



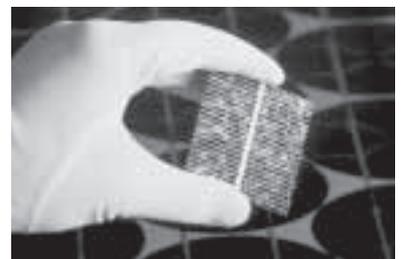
## 1904 Geothermal Energy

Heat energy from Earth is harnessed from geysers in Italy. Steam from the geysers turns turbines, which produce electricity.



## 1904 Solar Energy

Russell Ohl invents a device that transforms light from the Sun into electricity.



## 1904 Biomass Energy

Biomass consists of dead trees, tree branches, yard clippings, and leftover crops, as well as wood chips, bark, and sawdust from lumber mills. It can even include used tires and livestock manure. These materials are burned to produce heat, steam, or electricity.



**To draw a conclusion you must**

- read the story completely
- understand the story details
- make connections among story details

Renewable energy sources can be replenished in a short period of time. The five renewable sources used most often are hydropower (water), wind, geothermal, solar, and biomass. No matter what energy source you use, it's important to conserve electricity. That means turning off the light when you leave a room.



**Write About It**

**Draw Conclusions** What do you think is the author's purpose for writing this article? In the last paragraph, the author tells us we must all do our part in saving electricity. What are some ways you can reduce the amount of electricity you use? Write about ways you can use less electricity.

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# Conserving Energy



## Write About It

Write a persuasive letter to a community leader. Tell your opinion about why it is important to save gas. Give strong reasons, facts, and examples that will convince your reader. Save your best reason for last. Be sure to follow the form of a formal letter.

## Getting Ideas

Brainstorm ideas about why it is important to save gas. Write them on a separate sheet of paper.

## Planning and Organizing

Here are some sentences Armando wrote to support the opinion that we must save gas. Write Yes by each sentence that supports this opinion. Write No by each sentence that does not.

1. Taking buses and trains instead of cars will help us save gas.  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. There will be more and more gas shortages if we don't start conserving gas. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Gas is a renewable resource. \_\_\_\_\_

Write two sentences giving facts, reasons, and details for saving gas.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Use the guidelines below to write your letter.

1. This is the heading. Write your address and the date.
2. This is the inside address. Write the name of the person to whom you are writing, the organization, and the address.
3. This is the salutation, or greeting. Write “Dear” and the name of the person. Put a colon after the name.
4. Explain why you are writing. State your position.
5. Give facts, reasons, and details that back up your opinion.
6. Tell what you want the reader to do.
7. This is the closing. Use special words like “Sincerely” or “Yours truly.” Put a comma after these words.
8. Sign your name. If you are writing on computer, type your name under your signature.

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Now revise and proofread your letter. Ask yourself:

- Did I follow the form of a formal letter?
- Did I tell my opinion about saving gas?
- Did I include facts, details, and reasons to back up my opinion?
- Did I end by saying what I want the reader to do?
- Did I correct all grammar errors?
- Did I correct all spelling, punctuation, and capitalization errors?

# Energy on the Move

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## How can energy move through objects?

1. Moving objects have \_\_\_\_\_ energy.
2. Objects in motion are able to \_\_\_\_\_ their energy to another object.
3. If a rolling ball hits a block of wood, some of its kinetic energy is transferred to \_\_\_\_\_.
4. If an object gains kinetic energy from another object, it may \_\_\_\_\_.
5. In basketball, \_\_\_\_\_ energy from your arm is transferred to the ball when you throw it to another player.

## How is energy transferred by waves?

6. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a disturbance that moves through a substance such as water or air.
7. Waves carry \_\_\_\_\_, which they can transfer to objects.
8. Ocean waves are \_\_\_\_\_ waves; they move up and down.
9. Ocean waves cause floating objects to move \_\_\_\_\_.

## How does sound energy move?

10. Sound is a type of \_\_\_\_\_ energy.
11. When objects move back and forth very quickly, they \_\_\_\_\_.

12. Vibrating objects produce \_\_\_\_\_ energy.
13. Sound waves are called \_\_\_\_\_ waves because they compress or squeeze and then release the air they move through.
14. Sound waves move \_\_\_\_\_ .
15. When sound waves strike an object, they may cause it to \_\_\_\_\_ .
16. The faster the sound waves travel, the \_\_\_\_\_ pitch of sound you will hear.

### How does electrical energy move?

17. Electrical energy moves through \_\_\_\_\_ .
18. When you plug in a hair dryer, you are connecting the wire in the cord with the wire in the outlet, allowing the \_\_\_\_\_ energy to flow into your hair dryer.
19. The electrical energy traveling into your hair dryer is converted to the mechanical and \_\_\_\_\_ energy you use to dry your hair.

### Summarize the Main Idea

20. Describe three ways energy can be carried from one location to another.

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## Energy on the Move

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| <b>a.</b> compression wave  | <b>d.</b> seismic wave    | <b>g.</b> wave |
| <b>b.</b> electrical energy | <b>e.</b> sound energy    |                |
| <b>c.</b> mechanical energy | <b>f.</b> transverse wave |                |

### Match the correct letter with the description.

- \_\_\_\_\_ A disturbance that moves horizontally as the matter in the disturbance moves up and down
- \_\_\_\_\_ A disturbance that moves through a substance
- \_\_\_\_\_ A wave that moves matter back and forth in the same direction that the wave is traveling
- \_\_\_\_\_ The energy of moving objects
- \_\_\_\_\_ The energy of vibrating objects
- \_\_\_\_\_ A wave that travels from an earthquake
- \_\_\_\_\_ The energy of electric currents

## Energy on the Move

energy	same	up an down	wire
hear	sound	vibrating	
move	transfer	waves	

### Fill in the blanks.

There are several ways in which energy can be moved from one location to another. Moving objects \_\_\_\_\_ energy to the objects they come into contact with. For example, a moving hockey stick transfers some of its kinetic energy to a hockey puck, causing it to \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_ are disturbances that move in a regular pattern through matter or space. When you float in the ocean, you move \_\_\_\_\_ as a wave passes you. The wave has transferred some its energy to you, causing you to move in the \_\_\_\_\_ direction as the wave. Sound waves also transfer \_\_\_\_\_. Sound waves are produced by \_\_\_\_\_ objects. When \_\_\_\_\_ waves strike a person's eardrum, they cause it to vibrate. This transfer of energy enables us to \_\_\_\_\_. Electrical energy can also carry energy as it moves through a \_\_\_\_\_.

# Energy

Choose the letter of the best answer.

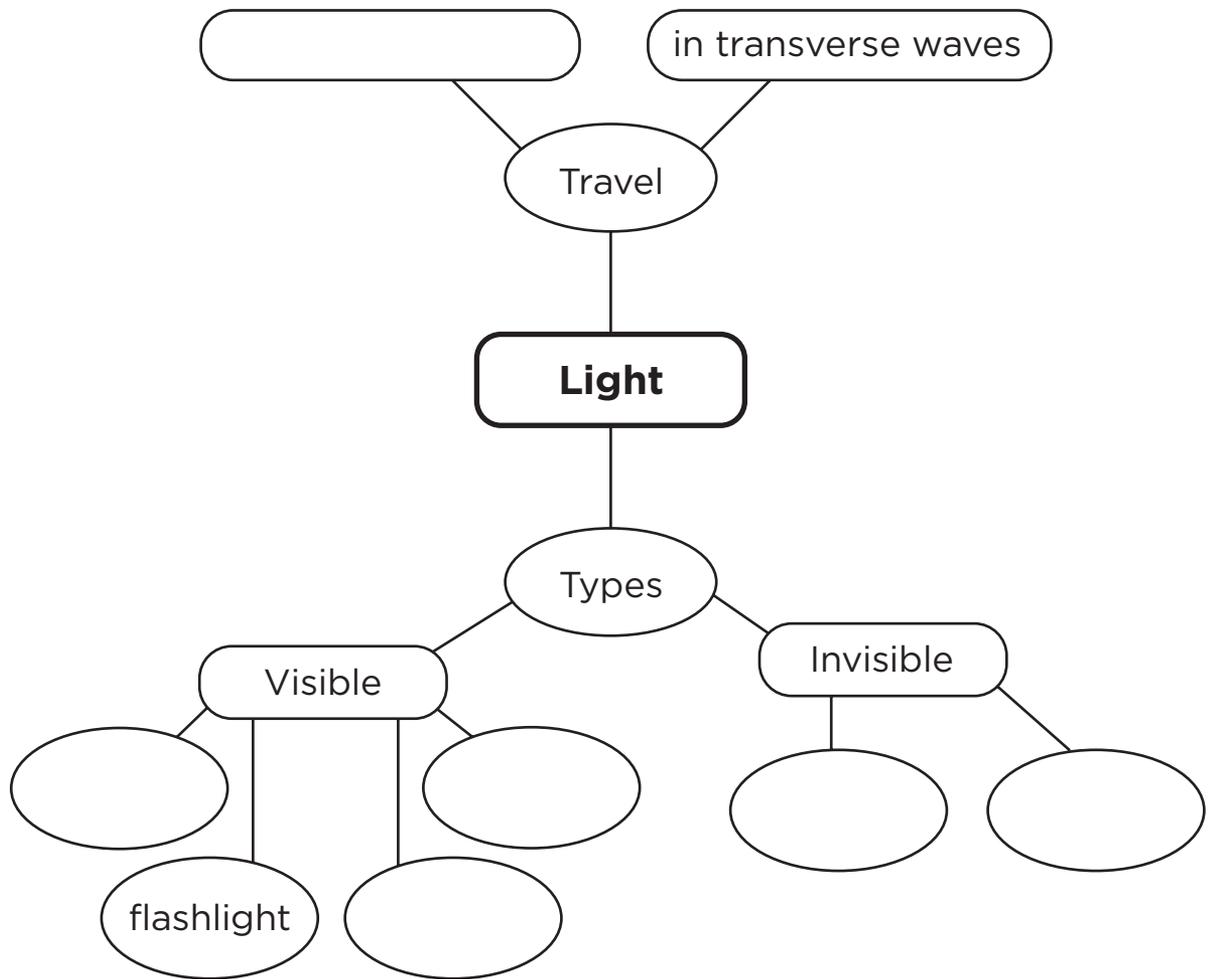
1. Objects that vibrate produce
  - a. electrical energy.
  - b. potential energy.
  - c. sound energy.
  - d. work energy.
  
2. What kind of energy is potential energy?
  - a. motion
  - b. sound
  - c. stored
  - d. work
  
3. Moving charges are
  - a. electrical energy.
  - b. potential energy.
  - c. sound energy.
  - d. work energy.

Choose the letter of the best answer.

4. Energy is
- a. a change in matter.
  - b. a flash of light.
  - c. the ability to do work.
  - d. motion in space.
5. A disturbance that moves through matter or space is a(n)
- a. energy.
  - b. force.
  - c. sound.
  - d. wave.
6. The energy of motion is
- a. kinetic energy.
  - b. work energy.
  - c. potential energy.
  - d. electrical energy.

# Light

Complete the concept map about the types of light and how light travels. Some answers have been written for you.





# How Light Moves

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## What is light?

1. Light is a form of \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. Waves can transfer energy from one place to another. Both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ transfer energy in a wave-like motion.

## What is the electromagnetic spectrum?

3. Radio waves transmit signals for \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_ .
4. Microwaves can \_\_\_\_\_ food and forecast \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. Infrared waves produce \_\_\_\_\_ that we feel from sunlight, fire, radiators, and warm sidewalks.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ waves can tan and burn your skin.
7. Doctors take pictures of bones with \_\_\_\_\_ .
8. \_\_\_\_\_ use dangerous radioactive materials that have high-energy gamma waves.

## What is visible light?

9. The beam of a flashlight, the flash of a camera, the glow from a lightbulb, and the flame of a candle are all examples of visible light, or light we can \_\_\_\_\_ .

**What is invisible light?**

10. Your eyes cannot see \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_, but they can see the effects of these waves.

**How does light travel?**

11. All light energy is alike because it always \_\_\_\_\_.
12. Even light energy from the Sun travels \_\_\_\_\_ through space in \_\_\_\_\_.

**What is reflection?**

13. Reflection is the light that \_\_\_\_\_.
14. A mirror reflects all light striking it because it has a \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ surface.

**What happens when light hits a rough surface?**

15. When light hits a rough surface, it bounces back and scatters in \_\_\_\_\_, and then a clear \_\_\_\_\_ or picture does not form.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

16. Briefly explain what light is, how light travels, and how light can form an image.

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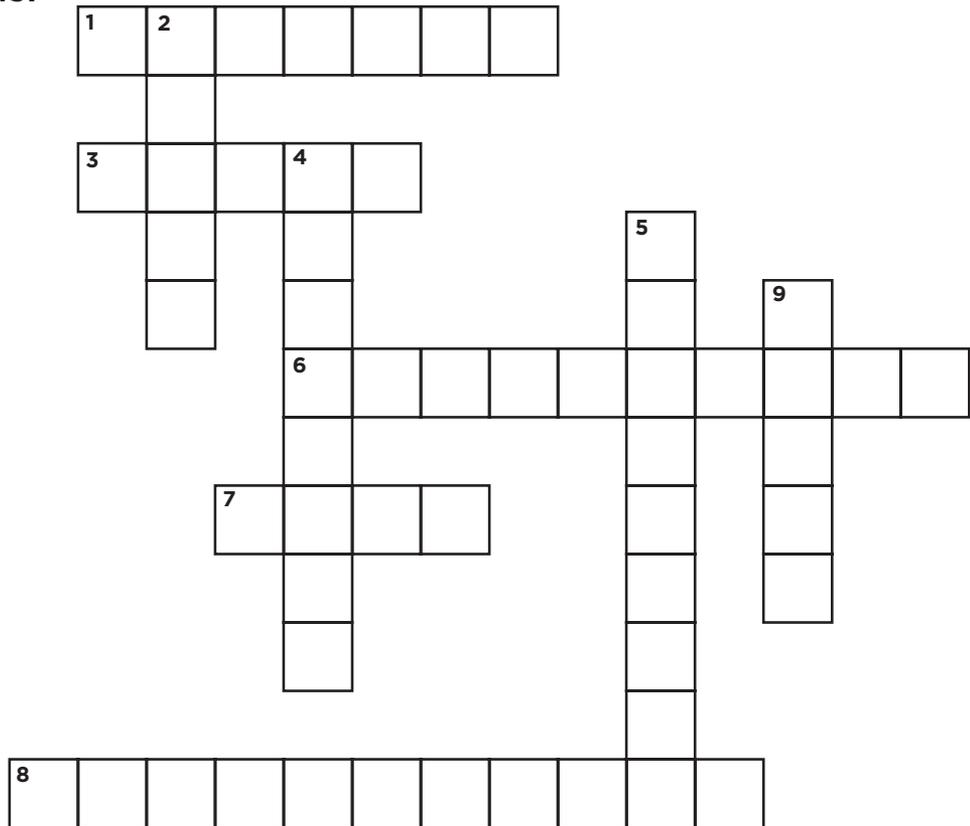
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# How Light Moves

Use the clues below to help you fill in the puzzle with the correct words.



**Across**

- 1. Light from the beam of a flashlight, the flash of a camera, etc.
- 3. Waves that transmit signals for cellular phones, radios, and televisions
- 6. The light that bounces off objects
- 7. Invisible light energy that can take pictures of bones

- 8. Light waves that can tan or burn skin

**Down**

- 2. The picture that can form from reflected light
- 4. Waves that we feel as heat
- 5. Light energy that forecasts weather and cooks food
- 9. Visible or invisible form of energy that travels by waves in straight lines

## How Light Moves

image	nuclear power plants	scatters	waves
mirror	radio	straight	X ray
microwaves	reflection	ultraviolet	

### Fill in the blanks.

Light is a form of energy. Visible or invisible, light travels by \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ lines .

A \_\_\_\_\_ occurs when light bounces off an object.

Light bouncing off a smooth, shiny \_\_\_\_\_ , forms a picture called an \_\_\_\_\_ . However, when light

bounces off a rough surface, it \_\_\_\_\_ , and a clear

image does not form. The various types of electromagnetic light

waves behave differently. High-energy gamma waves are found in

hazardous radioactive materials used in \_\_\_\_\_ .

After time in the sun, \_\_\_\_\_ waves may tan or burn

our skin. \_\_\_\_\_ waves transmit signals for cell

phones, radios, and TVs. \_\_\_\_\_ can forecast weather

and cook food. A dentist might make a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ of

our teeth.

# Seeing Light and Color

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## How do you see?

1. When reflected light enters your eyes, you see an \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the clear outer covering of the eye.
3. Light passes through the \_\_\_\_\_ and enters the \_\_\_\_\_ an opening into the eye.
4. When there is a lot of light, pupils become \_\_\_\_\_ , but they grow \_\_\_\_\_ as the amount of light \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. Located \_\_\_\_\_ the pupil and the iris, the \_\_\_\_\_ focuses incoming light on the back of the eyeball.

## Why can you see colors?

6. When white light separates, \_\_\_\_\_ of color appear.
7. White light is made up of \_\_\_\_\_ different colors: \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_ .
8. When white light strikes an object, some colors of light are \_\_\_\_\_ or taken in, while others are \_\_\_\_\_ .

9. The light reflected from an object enters the pupil so that when you look at the object, you see the object as the color of the \_\_\_\_\_ .
10. When \_\_\_\_\_ light strikes a leaf, the leaf \_\_\_\_\_ all of the colors except for green.
11. The green light bounces off the leaf and is \_\_\_\_\_ to your eyes so that you see the leaf as green.

**Why do objects appear black or white?**

12. A tar road appears black because all the colors from the white light are \_\_\_\_\_ and almost \_\_\_\_\_ is reflected.
13. A snowman, on the other hand, appears white because when white light strikes a snowman, \_\_\_\_\_ are reflected, and \_\_\_\_\_ is absorbed.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

14. Briefly explain how we see light and color.

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## Seeing Light and Color

Use the clues below to help you find the words hidden in the puzzle.

B	O	A	H	G	A	W	D	S	N
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R	C	S	W	E	S	P	C	O	R
F	D	O	O	N	I	L	R	M	E
T	I	R	I	S	U	Q	U	L	F
M	N	B	X	K	P	U	P	I	L
Y	H	E	C	O	R	N	E	A	E
L	P	D	E	S	S	E	G	N	C
W	H	I	T	E	L	I	G	H	T
Z	A	S	D	E	N	F	T	O	J

1. What happens to colors and light that have been taken in  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. The clear outer covering of the eye \_\_\_\_\_
3. The colored circle that surrounds the pupil  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. The part of the eye that focuses incoming light  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. An opening into the eye  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. To bounce light off an object  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Light that is made up of seven different colors  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Seeing Light and Color

absorbed	lens	seven	white light
cornea	pupil	size	
iris	reflected	white	

### Fill in the blanks.

Light strikes an object, and then some of that light is reflected. If reflected light enters your eyes, you will see an image and color.

\_\_\_\_\_ is made up of \_\_\_\_\_ different colors. When white light hits an object, some colors making up white light are \_\_\_\_\_, and others are reflected, or sent back. Black objects, such as a tar road, absorb all the colors of light so that almost no light is \_\_\_\_\_. That is why the road will look black. \_\_\_\_\_ objects cause all colors to be reflected so that no light is absorbed. The eye works by first taking in reflected light through the \_\_\_\_\_, which is an opening to the eye. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the colored circle surrounding the pupil, and it changes the \_\_\_\_\_ of the pupil by determining how much light it allows in. The \_\_\_\_\_ focuses light at the back of the eyeball to form an image. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the clear outer covering of the eye.

# A Beam of Light

Surgeons are doctors who perform operations to fix injuries or treat diseases. They use scalpels, special tools with sharp blades, to cut through tissues such as skin, muscles, and organs. Today, they have another tool they can use to do operations that were impossible in the past. That tool is a beam of light!

This beam of light is called a laser. Not many people know that LASER stands for Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation. Lasers are very powerful and precise. Lasers can cut through tissue without causing a lot of blood loss.

First, lasers were used to fix marks on children’s skin. Today, surgeons also use lasers to treat injuries to the brain, the heart, and many other places in the human body. Lasers are even used to help people see better.

Doctors perform laser eye surgery on people who have vision problems. The laser is tapped, or “pulsed,” on the surface of the eye to change its shape. After the surgery, the patient’s vision is improved and they usually won’t have to wear glasses or contact lenses.



# Shadows

Use your textbook to help you fill in the blanks.

## How are shadows formed?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ objects block the movement of light.
2. If light energy is blocked, a \_\_\_\_\_ or dark space forms.
3. Shadows form on the side of the object facing \_\_\_\_\_ from the light source.
4. To see an object, \_\_\_\_\_ light must enter your eyes. Opaque materials can stop you from seeing objects because they \_\_\_\_\_ light, so you do not see the object.

## How are shapes and sizes of shadows formed?

5. A shadow is the darker area that forms when an opaque object blocks \_\_\_\_\_.
6. If you play outside on a sunny day, your \_\_\_\_\_ will block sunlight.
7. Shadows forming on that sunny day would have an outline \_\_\_\_\_ to the shape of your body or other opaque objects that are present.
8. The size of a shadow depends on \_\_\_\_\_.
9. The \_\_\_\_\_ an object is to a light source, the \_\_\_\_\_ the shadow.

10. Light coming from above an object creates a \_\_\_\_\_ shadow.
11. Light coming from the side of an object creates a \_\_\_\_\_ shadow.
12. Sundials tell \_\_\_\_\_ according to the position of the dial's \_\_\_\_\_ .
13. Earth rotates on its axis, and the Sun moves across the sky. The Sun casts its \_\_\_\_\_ shadow at noon when it would be directly overhead in the sky. Its longest shadows would occur at \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ .

**What are transparent and translucent materials?**

14. Most light passes through \_\_\_\_\_ materials because they do not \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ much light energy.
15. Translucent materials do let some light energy pass through them, but they also \_\_\_\_\_ some light energy. \_\_\_\_\_ is translucent.

**Summarize the Main Idea**

16. Briefly explain how different materials affect light.

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# Shadows

away	noon	shadows	transparent
bigger	opaque	sunrise	
dark spaces	reflect	sunset	

## Fill in the blanks.

Different materials affect light energy differently. Shadows are \_\_\_\_\_ that form when an \_\_\_\_\_ object blocks the movement of light energy. All opaque materials cast \_\_\_\_\_. Shadows form on the side of an object facing \_\_\_\_\_ from the light source. The closer an object is to a light source, the \_\_\_\_\_ the shadow. The Sun casts its shortest shadow when it is directly overhead, which would be \_\_\_\_\_. The longest shadows occur at \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. If you and a friend stand outside in the sunshine, your bodies would block the sunlight. Your friend would not be able to see through your body because bodies are opaque. However, you could see through \_\_\_\_\_ materials such as glass because they do not absorb or \_\_\_\_\_ much of the light energy.

# Using Lasers



## Write About It

Write a paragraph about another way that lasers are used to help people. Organize the steps in time order, from first to last. Use information from the chapter and from online resources.

## Getting Ideas

Do some print and online research. Find five ways we use lasers to help us. Write them on a separate sheet of paper.

## Planning and Organizing

Gloria wants to write about using a laser level to hang two pictures. Here are some steps that she wrote. Write 1 by the step that should come first. Number the last step 4.

- A. Next, have a friend use a pencil to mark two points along the line. These points show where to hang your pictures. \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Push the “on” button. This shoots a laser beam to the opposite wall. \_\_\_\_\_
- C. First, decide how high you want the pictures to be. Place the laser level at this height at one corner of the wall. \_\_\_\_\_
- D. Finally, attach two picture hangers to the wall at these points. Hang your pictures. \_\_\_\_\_

Now think about the object you chose. Write five steps showing how to use it.

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**Drafting**

Here are two sentences Gloria wrote to begin her paragraph. Circle the one she should use.

We use lasers in many different ways.

A laser level can help you solve a simple, everyday problem.

Write a topic sentence for your paragraph.

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Now write your paragraph on a separate piece of paper. Begin with a topic sentence. Write the steps in time order.

**Revising and Proofreading**

Proofread these sentences that Gloria wrote. Find five errors and correct them.

Have you ever tried to hang too pictures side-by-side. No matter how hard you try, one picture is usally higher than the other. A laser level can help you solve this problem. It is easy to use and it doesnt cost alot of money.

Now revise and proofread your paragraph. Ask yourself:

- Did I begin with a topic sentence?
- Did I put the steps in time order?
- Did I use sequence words such as first, next, and finally?
- Did I correct all grammar errors?
- Did I correct all spelling, punctuation, and capitalization errors?

# Light

Choose the letter of the best answer.

- The part of the eye that focuses incoming light is the
  - clear outer covering.
  - iris.
  - lens.
  - pupil.
- When white light strikes an object, some colors of light are
  - absorbed.
  - bright.
  - destroyed.
  - directed.
- These materials do not absorb or reflect much of the light energy.
  - corneas
  - translucent
  - opaque
  - transparent
- The colored circle that surrounds the pupil is the
  - cornea.
  - direction.
  - iris.
  - lens.
- Materials that absorb some light energy and let some light energy pass through are
  - absorbed.
  - shadows.
  - translucent.
  - transparent.
- The light that bounces off an object is called a(n)
  - invisible light.
  - mirror.
  - path.
  - reflection.

**Choose the letter of the best answer.**

7. Light is another form of energy transferred by
- a. currents.
  - b. direction.
  - c. reflection.
  - d. waves.
8. Materials that absorb some of the light energy are
- a. blocked.
  - b. clear.
  - c. opaque.
  - d. transparent.
9. When light energy is blocked, this forms
- a. an image.
  - b. a reflection.
  - c. a shape.
  - d. a shadow.
10. The clear outer covering of the eye is the
- a. cornea.
  - b. eyelid.
  - c. object.
  - d. pupil.
11. An opening into the eye is the
- a. cornea.
  - b. iris.
  - c. pupil.
  - d. reflection.