

Sample Lesson #1

What is the environment?

The **environment** is everything in the world around us. It includes plants, animals, and people. It includes forests, deserts, and tundra. All Earth's oceans, rivers, and lakes are part of the environment. Weather is part of the environment. In fact, the environment includes all living and nonliving things.



Everything in our world is part of the environment.

1. Which of these is a nonliving part of the environment?

insects roots air

2. The _____ is everything around us. It includes plants, animals, people, and nonliving things.

organism oxygen environment seedling

3. Write the names of three things that are part of the environment.

4. List three examples of organisms.

5. The amount of time between birth and death is an organism's

_____.



6. List three examples of nonliving things.

7. Why do animals take in air?

- A) They need the oxygen in air.
- B) They need carbon dioxide.
- C) They need water to drink.

8. A habitat is part of the environment. It is where something lives. Match each living thing with its habitat.

_____ cactus

A) woodlands

_____ brown bear

B) ocean

_____ whale

C) desert