



# Ecosystems and changes in ecosystems

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**Match each of the following terms to its definition:**

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|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| Desert    | Ecosystem | Lake      | Habitat |
| Community | Niche     | Grassland | Erosion |

1. \_\_\_\_\_ - the place where an organism lives within an ecosystem; where living things make their homes and live; a place that supports a plant or animal and has everything they need to survive



2. \_\_\_\_\_ - the dryest of all ecosystems where there are few plants and very small amounts of rainfall



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6. \_\_\_\_\_ - an ecosystem with tall grasses but no trees which receives very little rain



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**8. niche** - the specific role an organism has in the environment

