Name _____

The Desert



The desert is a habitat where very little rain or snow falls. Very few animals and very few plants survive in the desert. Animals that live in the desert usually come out at night, because the day is very hot. Plants that live in the desert are fully adapted to the dry environment, as they are prepared to live without water for long periods of time.

One fifth of the Earth's land is occupied by deserts. Depending on the temperature, these deserts can be warm or cold. Cold de-

serts are often called tundra. Finally, depending on the type of soil, deserts can be sandy and/or rocky. The world's largest desert is the Sahara desert.



Answer the Question

- 1. In the desert _____
 - a. it rains a lot and snows very little
 - b. it rains very little and snows a lot
 - c. it rains and snows a lot
 - d. it rains and snows very little
- 2. The plants that live in the desert
 - a. are adapted to living in a dry environment
 - b. need a lot of water
 - c. There are no plants in the desert.
 - d. none of the above
- 3. What do we call a cold desert?

- a. Sahara
- b. Tundra
- c. Hot
- d. Rocky
- 4. Which is the largest desert in the world?
 - a. The Arizona desert
 - b. The Sahara desert
 - c. The Libyan desert
 - d. The Ryn desert