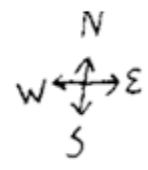


BIOMES OF THE USA

1. Color the map according to the clues listed below. You may need to look at a map of North America if you get stuck. Place a check mark in the box once you have completed that step.
2. The **dotted lines represent the BORDER** between the U.S. and Mexico and Canada. All other lines show biome borders. Color the U.S. borders (dotted line) **RED**.
3. Northern Canada and Alaska are **TUNDRA** - color the tundra **light blue**
4. Most of Canada is **BOREAL FOREST** made up of conifers (**spruce, cedar, pine, etc.**). Color the boreal forest **dark green**.
5. The west coast of the U.S., where California is located, is mainly **TEMPERATE DECIDUOUS FOREST**. The east coast, all the way to the center of the country is also **TEMPERATE DECIDUOUS FOREST**. Color the Temperate deciduous forest **light green**.
6. The Midwest (middle of the country) is **TEMPERATE GRASSLAND**. Color the grassland **yellow**.
7. The eastern edge of Mexico and Central America, Hawaii, and the Caribbean Islands are all **TROPICAL RAIN FORESTS or JUNGLES**. Color those **purple**.
8. There is a northwest **CONIFEROUS FOREST or TAIGA** located in the far corner of the U.S (northwest). Color the northwest coniferous forest **brown**.
9. The great lakes and the lakes in Canada are **FRESHWATER ecosystems**. Find each freshwater lake and color it **pink**.
10. The bodies of water surrounding the continent are **SALT WATER or MARINE ecosystems**. Color the coastal areas **dark blue**.
11. The western region of the U.S., as well as Northern Mexico, is **DESERT**. Color the desert **orange**.
12. The western edge of Mexico is **TEMPERATE DECIDUOUS FOREST**. Color it the same as you did the other temperate deciduous forests, **light green**.
13. Color the squares at the bottom to match your biome colors.
14. Label the countries --- USA, Mexico, and Canada.



- Boreal Forest
- Tundra
- Desert
- Fresh Water
- Deciduous Forest
- Tropical Rain Forest
- Temperate Rain Forest
- Grassland
- Salt Water
- Coniferous Forest

Questions

1. Name the 3 main biomes of the United States (land only).
2. What two biomes are closest to where you live?
Place an X on the map to show your approximate location.
3. What U.S. state could a person visit a tropical rain forest in?
4. What U.S. state could a person visit to see a temperate deciduous forest surrounded by saltwater on 3 sides?
5. Point out Alaska by drawing an arrow to it. What main biome is found in Alaska?
6. If you traveled DUE NORTH of your current location, what biomes would you pass through as you go to the North Pole? *List the biome you would be in FIRST, and then draw arrows to each of the other biomes.*
7. A person is driving from SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA TO WASHINGTON, D.C. Name the **biomes the person will pass through, in the correct order starting with where you begin.**
8. A person is driving from ALASKA TO MEXICO, STAYING CLOSE TO THE WEST COASTLINE. Name the **biomes the person will pass through, in the correct order starting where you begin.**