

Skills Worksheet

Section Review

Land Biomes

USING KEY TERMS

1. Use each of the following terms in a separate sentence: *biome* and *tundra*.

2. In your own words, write a definition for each of the following terms: *savanna* and *desert*.

UNDERSTANDING KEY IDEAS

- _____ 3. If you visited a savanna, you would most likely see
- a. large herds of grazing animals, such as zebras, gazelles, and wildebeests.
 - b. dense forests stretching from horizon to horizon.
 - c. snow and ice throughout most of the year.
 - d. trees that form a continuous green roof, called the canopy.
- _____ 4. Components of a desert ecosystem include
- a. a hot, dry climate.
 - b. plants that grow far apart.
 - c. animals that are active mostly at night.
 - d. All of the above
5. List seven land biomes that are found on Earth.

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6. What are two things that characterize a biome?

CRITICAL THINKING

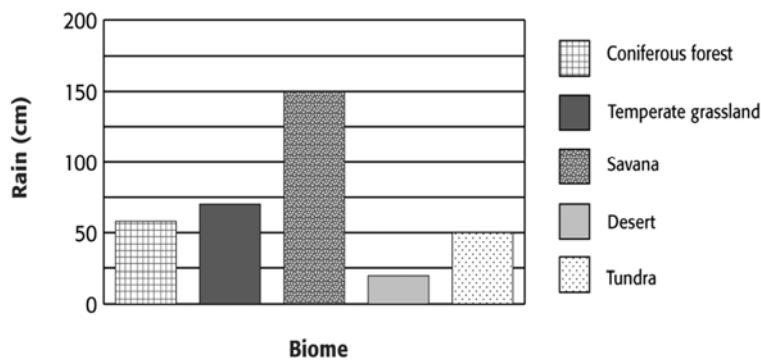
7. **Making Inferences** While excavating an area in the desert, a scientist discovers the fossils of very large trees and ferns. What might the scientist conclude about biomes in this area?

8. **Analysis Ideas** Tundra receives very little rainfall. Could tundra accurately be called a *frozen desert*? Explain your answer.

INTERPRETING GRAPHICS

Use the bar graph below to answer the questions that follow.

Rainfall on Biomes



9. Which biomes receive 50 cm or more of rain?

10. Which biome receives the smallest amount of rain? the largest amount of rain?
