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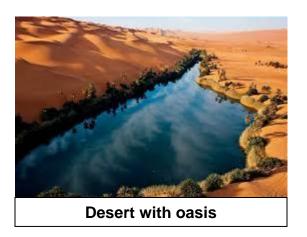
Deserts

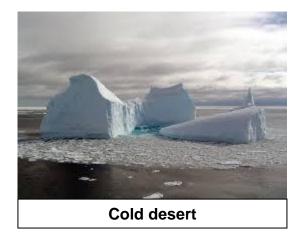
A desert is an area where it rains less than 25 centimetres every year. About 30 per cent of the Earth is part of a desert. Some deserts are made of sand, and many deserts are made of stones, rocks or ice.

All deserts are very dry but they can be hot deserts or cold deserts. Antarctica is the biggest cold desert in the world. The climate is very cold but it doesn't snow very often. There is lots of ice and there are lots of icebergs in Antarctica.

The Gobi, the Kalahari and the Karakum desert are famous deserts. The Sahara desert in Africa is the biggest hot desert in the world. The climate is very hot and dry. There are lots of sand dunes and oases in the Sahara. Oases are small areas with water in the deserts. They are very important for people, animals and plants. Deserts are fantastic!







• Answer these questions:

1 What is a desert?
2 What percentage of the Earth is part of a desert?
3 What can deserts be made of?
4 Are all deserts dry?
5 Which two kinds of deserts are there?
6 Which is the biggest cold desert?
7 What is the climate in Antarctica like?
8 Can you write the names of some famous deserts?
9 Which is the biggest hot desert?

Solutions:

- 1. A desert is an area where it rains less than 25 centimetres every year.
- 2. 30% of the earth is a desert.
- 3. Sand, stones, rocks or ice.
- 4. Yes, they are.
- 5. There are hot and cold deserts.
- 6. The biggest cold desert is Antarctica.
- 7. It is very cold.
- 8. Some famous deserts are Gobi, Kalahari and Karakum.
- 9. The biggest hot desert is Sahara.

Landscapes

Find the words in the word search.



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