

Glossary

Adapt: to adjust (something or oneself) to different Conditions.

Aquatic: Living in or near water

Beach: places where the ocean (sea) meets the shore

Biodiversity: The variety of plants and animals in the World or environment

Carnivore: An animal that eats meat only

Conservation: Careful use of a resource

Coral reef: underwater structures made from skeletons of corals

Cyclone: a system of winds rotating inwards to an area of lower atmospheric pressure

Defense: To safeguard or protect

Deforestation: is the removal of the forest from the land in order to use the land for other purpose(s)

Dehydration: the loss or removal of water from one's body or from food

Disaster: A natural mishap or catastrophe

Drought: A very long time with little or no rainfall

Ecosystem: Interactions of living organisms and their environment

Environment: The surroundings in which a person, animal, or plant lives

Erosion: The wearing away of topsoil

Flood: A large amount of water overflowing dry land

Food chain: A series of organisms, each of which depend on the one before it s a source of food

Food Web: The varieties of plants and animals sharing this world and the relationship they have with each other. It is also called the "Web of Life"

Habitat: The natural home or environment of an animal or plant

Herbivore: An animal that eats plants only

Hurricane: A severe storm with a violent wind

Lagoon: A stretch of salt water separated from the sea by a low sandbank or coral reef

Land degradation: The change of land's structure and its profile

Landslide: A mass of earth or rock that slides down from a mountain hill or cliff

Litter: garbage or rubbish left in a public place

Littering: An act of throwing or putting garbage where it does not belong

Living organism: A living animal or plant

Mangrove: Plants/trees that live salt water or along the coast

Mangrove Swamps: Areas (habit) along the coast were marine animals and plants live

Marine: found in, or related to the sea

Micro-organisms: microscopic (extremely small) living things either plants or animals

Natural resources: supplies provided by nature e.g. lands, minerals, plants, and beaches

Omnivore: An animal that eats both meat and plants

Organism: An animal or plant, anything resembling a living creature

Photosynthesis: The process by which plants make their food

Pollution: The presence of harmful or poisonous substances

Predator: An animal that hunts and kill other animals for food

Prey: An animal hunted and killed by another animal for food

Recycle: Use again, to salvage

Terrestrial: Having to do with earth or land, animals that live on land

Tornado: Violently rotating wind storm having the appearance of a funnel-shaped cloud

Watershed: An area of land that separates waters flowing to different rivers, basins or seas

Whirlwind: A column of air moving rapidly round and round in a funnel shape