

Desert Web Quest

Name five of the world's deserts.

des·ert. [dez-ert]

-noun

1. a region so _____ because of little rainfall that it supports only sparse and widely spaced vegetation or no vegetation at all
2. any area in which few forms of life can _____ because of lack of water, permanent frost, or absence of _____.
3. an area of the _____ in which it is believed no _____ life exists.
4. (formerly) any unsettled area between the Mississippi and the Rocky Mountains thought to be unsuitable for human habitation.

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How is a desert created?

The world's largest desert is _____. It receives _____ inches of precipitation annually. It is _____ square miles in area.

Sand covers about ____% of the world's deserts.



DEFINITIONS

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Name and define the six different major kinds of deserts based on dominant weather patterns.

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Which is the only continent with no major desert areas?

The driest place on Earth is _____, on the coast of _____. Average daily temperatures here range from _____ to _____, and in higher elevations, when precipitation does occur, it is in the form of _____. There are flocks of _____ that live near the salt lakes here and there's even a town called _____.