

Largest Wetlands by Area

Follow the instructions to complete the activity.

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Using information found in the book, pair each continent with its largest wetland by writing the continent's number in the space beside the wetland's name. Then, record the maximum area of each wetland in the space below its name.



Asia

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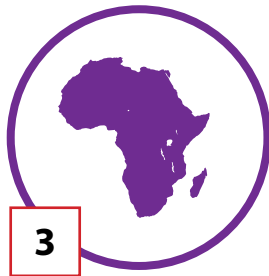
Amazon Basin



North America

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West Siberian Lowlands



Africa

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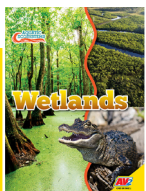
Upper Nile River



South America

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Hudson Bay Lowlands



True or False

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Using the information in *Wetlands*, verify whether the following information is true or false. Check your answers in the book. If the statement is false, write the correct answer below it. List the page number where you found your information beside your answer.

Statement 1

Only a tiny amount of Earth's water is found in wetlands.

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True

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False

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Statement 2

In the United States alone, people spend more than \$600 billion on wetland activities every year.

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True

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False

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Statement 3

Bogs are found more often in colder areas than marshes and swamps.

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True

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False

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Statement 4

A tertiary consumer is a carnivore or omnivore that has many predators.

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True

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False

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Statement 5

The Okavango Delta is one of the few deltas that does not reach an ocean or sea.

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True

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False

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Wetland Energy

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Write the name of each organism in the space below its image. Then, match each organism to its ecosystem role by placing the correct letter beside its name.


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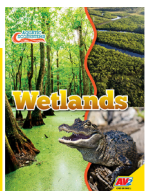
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A - Primary consumer

C - Secondary consumer

B - Tertiary consumer

D - Producer



Write an Expository Paragraph

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Use online resources and your local library to research examples of threats facing wetlands today. Then, write an expository paragraph in the space below. Describe the steps you think people could take to help counter threats to bays. You can use the second page of this activity to record your research.

An expository paragraph is a group of sentences that provide information on a topic, give directions, or explain an event. An expository paragraph has three parts. The first part is the topic sentence. It tells readers what the paragraph will be about and catches their attention. Supporting sentences generally follow the topic sentence. They provide details explaining or supporting the topic sentence. At the end of an expository paragraph, a sentence wraps up, or summarizes, the ideas expressed in the paragraph. This is called the concluding sentence. It is usually a strong statement.

Topic Sentence:

Supporting Sentence:

Concluding Sentence:



Test your knowledge of bays by answering these brain teasers.

How have capybaras adapted to wetland life?

How are bogs different from other kinds of wetlands?

What caused the 1982 Rocky Mountain National Park flood?

Why were Burmese pythons able to spread throughout the Everglades?

How have wetland trees adapted to survive in this ecosystem?



Quiz

Test your knowledge of bays by answering these quiz questions.

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1 What name is often used for wetlands that have trees?

2 Which organisms receive energy from the Sun and turn it into a form they can use?

3 Are alligators quiet reptiles?

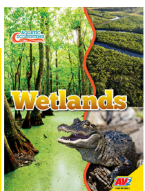
4 When did Hurricane Andrew strike Florida?

5 Are young dragonflies herbivores?

6 Which wetland is found in the Kalahari Desert?

7 What is another name for Florida's Everglades?

8 Which fish are known to climb trees?



Key Words Match-Up

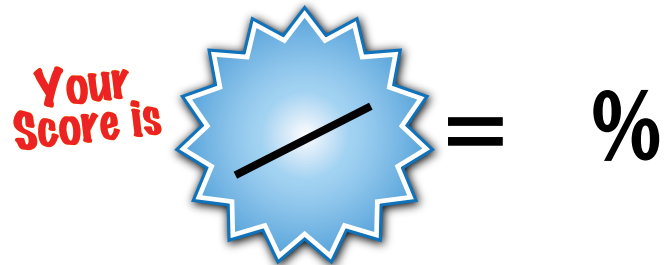
Write the words from the list below in the box above the correct definition for each word.

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KEY WORDS

camouflage	migrate
crops	mosses
decomposers	peat
delta	predators
lowlands	runoff



- animals that hunt other animals
- organisms that break down dead matter
- water from the land draining into a body of water such as a river or ocean
- when an animal hides in its surroundings
- when an animal travels to a new home
- areas of land below sea level
- plants grown by people for food
- small, spongy plants
- partly decomposed plant matter in bogs
- a triangle-shaped piece of land formed where a river drains into something

