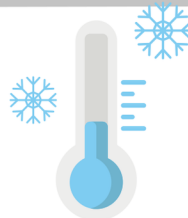


Desert

Fun fact for kids



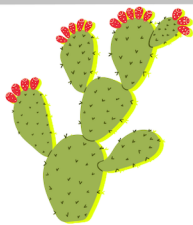
Some deserts get less than an inch of rain each year!



Temperature can drop to freezing temperatures after the sun goes down.



Some cold deserts have permafrost, where the ground stays frozen year-round.



Cacti are famous desert plants that store water in their thick stems.



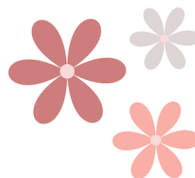
The largest desert in the world is actually not hot but cold!



In some deserts, there are oases—small areas where water is available and plants can grow.



Deserts often have dry riverbeds called wadis or arroyos.



After rare rainfalls, some deserts can burst into bloom with beautiful wildflowers



The fennec fox, native to the Sahara Desert, has big ears that help it stay cool by dissipating heat



The word "desert" comes from the Latin "desertus," meaning "abandoned" or "forsaken."



The Thar Desert in India and Pakistan is the most densely populated desert in the world.



Deserts can be found on every continent, including Antarctica.