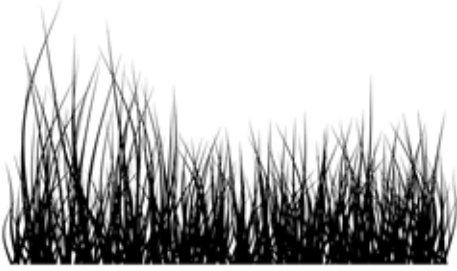


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## Grassland Challenge



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Grassland biomes are found in the middle [11]\_\_\_\_\_, in the interiors of continents. Grasslands are found on every continent with the exception of [12]\_\_\_\_\_.

The Grasslands in the southern hemisphere often get more [13]\_\_\_\_\_ than the Grasslands in the northern hemisphere. In the winters, the temperatures can fall below 4°C or 40°F and rise up to 21°C or 70°F in the summer. [14]\_\_\_\_\_ is about 25 to 76 cm. or 10 to 30 in. in the northern

hemisphere and 63 cm. to 150 cm. or 25-60 in. In the southern hemisphere. Grasslands get a significant amount of sun and [15]\_\_\_\_\_.

There tend to be two [16]\_\_\_\_\_, a growing season and a dormant season. Summers are typically wet and winters are typically dry. There can be long periods of [17]\_\_\_\_\_ in the Grasslands making this biome susceptible to fires.

There are many [18]\_\_\_\_\_ and roaming animals in the Grassland biome. There are few shelters from [19]\_\_\_\_\_ for animals yet an abundance of grass for food. Many of the animals are herbivores due to the abundance of grass to eat. A significant number of animals have long legs or can move quickly to [20]\_\_\_\_\_ their predators. There are approximately 300 species of birds in this biome.

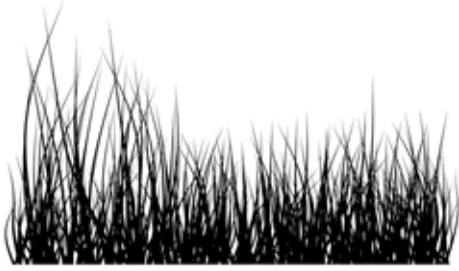
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precipitation	dry	predators	antarctica
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The Grasslands [1]biome is a semi-dry area with very few to no [2]trees, it is dominated by [3]grasses, both long and short grasses. The [4]soils in the Grasslands are thin and too [5]dry for trees to survive. There are three categories of Grasslands: the [6]Prairies, the [7]Steppe and the [8]Savanna. The Grasslands are often found between the [9]desert and forests. The Grasslands biome occupies about 1/4 of the [10]Earth.

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