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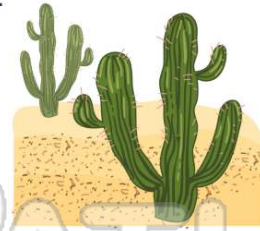
1 A(n) _____ is the **community of organisms** that live in a particular area and their **nonliving surroundings**.

- A ecosystem
- B extinction
- C population
- D fossil



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True or false?

- A true
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- B plants, trees, and animals
- C wind and water
- D sunlight and rain

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- A animals and trees
- B plants and animals
- C water, soil, and sunlight
- D trees, bushes



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- A niche
- B population
- C habitat
- D an area



- B environment
- C community
- D ecosystem



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A **niche** includes several things such as what an organism **eats**, how it **gets its food**, and _____.

- A how it moves
- B what other animals eat it
- C how warm it is
- D how long it sleeps



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- B slow
- C necessary
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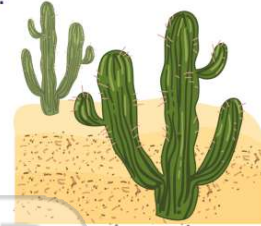


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(c)



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