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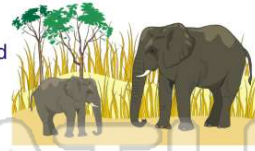
1 The biome characterized by **low precipitation** (0 to 25 cm/yr), **soil poor in organic matter**, and average temperatures between **16°C and 50°C** (61°F and 120°F) is the _____.

- A tropical savanna
- B temperate desert
- C tropical desert
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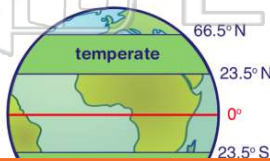
2 The biome characterized by annual **precipitation of 100 cm/yr**, average temperatures of **27°C to 32°C** (80°F to 90°F), **tall grasses** and scattered trees, and **animals** like gazelles, lions, and elephants is the _____.

- A tropical desert
- B temperate grassland
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3 The climate zone that lies **between the tropical zone** and the **polar zone** is called the _____.

- A average zone
- B temperate zone
- C hot zone
- D mild zone



4 The **prairies** of North America have the most **fertile soil** of all of the biomes. Average annual precipitation is about 60 cm/yr. The land supports large **grazing animals** like bison. **This biome is called the _____.**

- A taiga
- B temperate grassland



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- A temperate forest
- B temperate grassland
- C taiga
- D tropical rainforest



- B an interglacial period
- C an ice age
- D plate tectonics



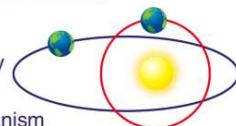
9 Ice begins to **melt** and **retreat**, causing the ocean levels to **rise**, during a(n) _____.

- A glacial period
- B interglacial period
- C plate tectonic movement
- D ice age



10 There are a number of theories explaining the cause or causes of ice ages. One theory says that changes in the **earth's orbit** and **tilt of the earth** on its axis combine to cause periods of glaciation and other periods of warming. **This theory is known as the _____.**

- A plate tectonic theory
- B continental drift theory
- C Milankovitch theory
- D theory of uniformitarianism





ANSWER KEY

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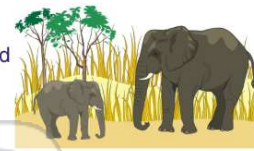
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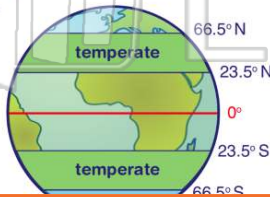
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(d)

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(b)

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- C tundra



(b)



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- A tropical rainforest
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