

All About Our Earth's Ecosystems!

TEMPERATE FOREST

About Temperate Forests:

Temperate forests are widespread across the globe, and can be deciduous or evergreen. Deciduous refers to trees and plants that lose their leaves in the fall to prepare for the coming winter, while evergreen plants keep their leaves or needles all year. Many animals that are found in taiga can be found in temperate forests, among others. Animals that make temperate forests their home include deer, elk, mountain lions, bears, giant pandas, red pandas, koalas, opossums, foxes, many predatory birds and songbirds, raccoons, boar, snakes, coyotes, and wolves. Common plants include birch, oak, rose, sequoia, spruce, fir, and maple.



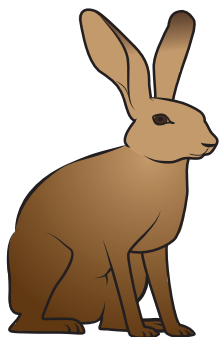
GRIZZLY BEAR

Temperate Forest Stats:

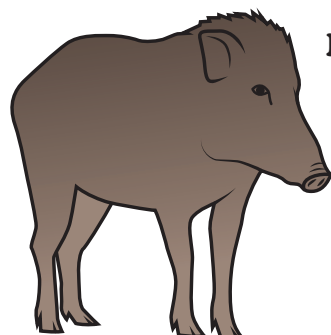
- The soil in temperate forests is very rich due to the large amount of plant material that falls to the forest floor.
- Many popular foods originally grew in temperate forests, including apples, walnuts, and mushrooms.
- Evergreen plants can either be coniferous, which means they have needles for leaves, or they can have normal leaves that generally are tougher than those found on deciduous trees.
- Many animals use camouflage to hide from predators, while others are nocturnal, meaning they sleep during the day and are active at night.

Word Search

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RABBIT



BOAR

Find the temperate forest terms below in the word search. They can be horizontal or vertical.

- 1) MAPLE
- 2) BEAR
- 3) SEQUOIA
- 4) OPOSSUM
- 5) BOAR
- 6) SEASONS
- 7) DECIDUOUS
- 8) KOALA