

# Life Science Stories

## Grasslands

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Earth has lots of grasslands. Grasslands usually have very few trees. Grasslands can have lots of animals. Many of them like to eat grass.



A savanna is a warm or tropical grassland area. The grasses can be very tall. This is good for animals to hide in. Many animals eat the grass, too. Animals like elephants, zebras, and lions might live in a savanna.



Temperate grasslands, like prairies and steppes, might seem like large grassy fields, but the grasses get much taller. The animals that live in a grassland must use the grass. They eat the grass, hide in the grass, and make their homes in the grass. Buffalo, wolves, owls, and bugs might live in a grassland.



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- (A) trees      (B) plants      (C) animals      (D) clouds

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- (A) arctic      (B) jungle      (C) savanna      (D) desert

3. What kind of plant covers most grasslands?

- (A) flowers      (B) grass      (C) trees      (D) rocks

4. DEFINITION: another name for temperate grasslands

- (A) oceans      (B) prairies      (C) deserts      (D) jungles

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- (A) True      (B) False

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