

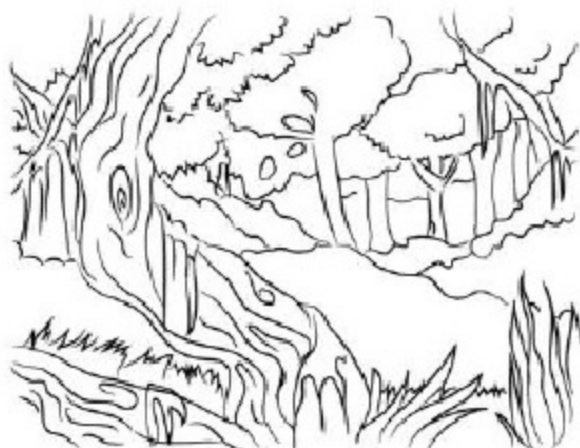
Natural world

Dear Martha

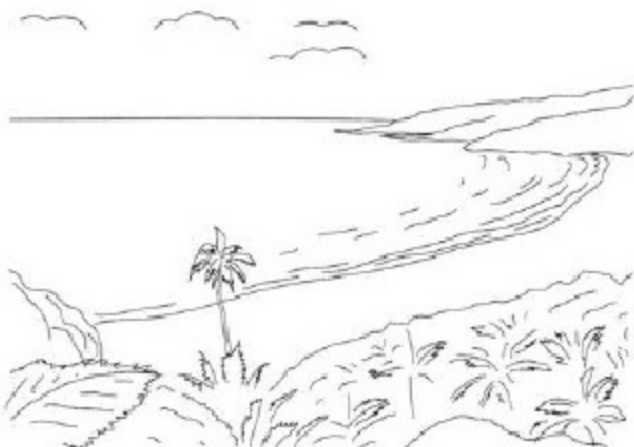
You asked me to tell you about where I live. Our house is next to a large forest, where we can go walking and climb in the trees. Behind the forest, there are mountains. They are so high that they have snow on them, even in summer.

Our house is nearly 15 miles from the nearest town. I love living in the country, but if you come to visit, it will be strange for you to be so far away from a city.

Write soon!
Liesl



a forest



a beach and the sea

Dear Liesl

Thank you for telling me about the place where you live! It sounds very different from my home! I live in a big city. It is a beautiful city, with a river running through the middle of it.

We have a small garden and my mum likes to grow lots of flowers. The city also has lots of parks with nice plants in them.

When the weather is hot, we go to the beach. It only takes half an hour in the car.

Your friend
Martha

Words for talking about the natural world

Word Finder	beach	NOUN A beach is an area of sand or stones next to a lake or the sea.
	cold	ADJECTIVE Cold describes the weather when the temperature is low.
	country	1 NOUN A country is an area of the world with its own government and people. 2 NOUN The country is land that is away from cities and towns.
	flower	NOUN A flower is the brightly coloured part of a plant.
	forest	NOUN A forest is a large area where trees grow close together.
	grass	NOUN Grass is a plant with thin, green leaves that cover the surface of the ground.
	hot	ADJECTIVE Hot describes the weather when the temperature is high.
	place	NOUN A place is a particular building, area, town, or country.
	plant	NOUN A plant is a living thing that grows in the earth and has a stem, leaves, and roots.
	rain	1 NOUN Rain is water that falls from the clouds in small drops. 2 VERB When rain falls, you can say that it is raining.
	river	NOUN A river is a long line of water that flows into the sea.
	sea	NOUN The sea is a large area of salty water.
	snow	NOUN Snow is soft white frozen water that falls from the sky.
	summer	NOUN Summer is the season between spring and autumn and is usually the hottest part of the year.
	sun	NOUN The sun is the ball of fire in the sky that gives us heat and light.
	tree	NOUN A tree is a tall plant with a hard central part (= a trunk), branches, and leaves.
	warm	ADJECTIVE Something that is warm has some heat, but is not hot.
	weather	NOUN The weather is the temperature and conditions outside, for example if it is raining, hot, or windy.
	winter	NOUN Winter is the season between autumn and spring and is usually the coldest part of the year.
	world	NOUN The world is the planet that we live on.

Exercise 1

Rearrange the letters to find words. Use the definitions to help you.

- 1 habec _____ (a place by the sea)
- 2 ostref _____ (lots of trees)
- 3 rewolf _____ (a beautiful part of a plant)
- 4 mermus _____ (the warm time of the year)
- 5 thawree _____ (this can change every day in England)
- 6 drowl _____ (we all live in this)

Exercise 2

Match the words with the pictures.

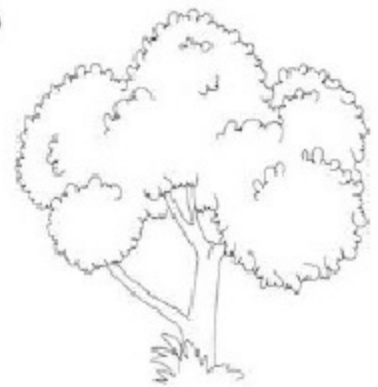
1 sun

a



2 snow

b



3 grass

c



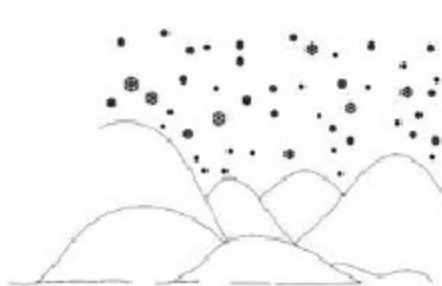
4 plant

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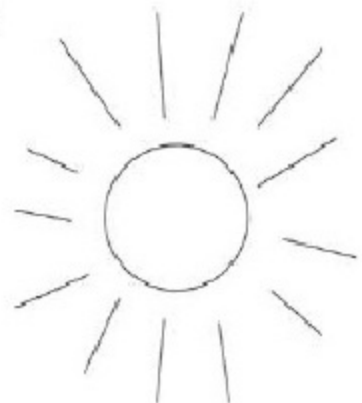
5 rain

e



6 tree

f



Exercise 3

Find the words that do not belong, as shown.

1 Describing weather	warm	cold	sun
2 Things in a garden	forest	plant	flower
3 Water	sea	tree	river
4 Places	country	beach	grass
5 Seasons	snow	winter	summer

Exercise 4

Choose the correct word.

- 1 I feel happy when the **hot** / **sun** / **summer** is shining.
- 2 We often go for a walk in the **forest** / **trees** / **grass** at the weekend.
- 3 There is usually **flower** / **cold** / **snow** here in the winter.
- 4 People don't stay on the beach when it **rains** / **plants** / **rivers**.
- 5 Did you have good **warm** / **place** / **weather** for your birthday party?

Exercise 5

Are the highlighted words correct or incorrect in the sentences?

- 1 What kind of weather do you have in your part of the **world** ☐?
- 2 That plant has very nice **trees** ☐ and flowers.
- 3 I enjoy walking in the **weather** ☐.
- 4 The sea is **warm** ☐ in the summer, so we can swim in it.
- 5 We wanted to go out, but it began to **rain** ☐.
- 6 We never see snow in my country, because it's very **summer** ☐.

Exercise 6

Put the correct word in each gap.

summer | flower | forest | sea | river | tree | beach

The ¹_____ begins in a beautiful ²_____ under a tall, old
³_____. Then it goes through a town and comes to the ⁴_____. There is
a small ⁵_____ where people can enjoy the warm sun in ⁶_____.