

## NATURE


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| <b>Main theme addressed</b> | <b>In this lesson, you will learn general vocabulary about nature.</b>  |
| <b>Key goals</b>            | <b>Here is an outline of what you will learn today:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Vocabulary about nature</b></li> <li><b>2. To recognise different kinds of flowers and landscapes</b></li> </ol> |






Nature is a phenomena of the physical world collectively, including plants, animals, landscape, and other features and products of the earth, as opposed to humans or human creations.





Example: "the breathtaking beauty of nature"

### 1. Vocabulary about nature

- In connection to water**

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| <b>beach</b> | a pebbly or sandy shore |  |
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| <p><b>sea</b></p>   | <p>the expanse of salt water that covers most of the earth's surface and surrounds its land masses</p>                |    |
| <p><b>ocean</b></p> | <p>a very large expanse of sea, in particular each of the main areas into which the sea is divided geographically</p> |    |
| <p><b>pond</b></p>  | <p>a small body of still water formed naturally or by artificial means</p>  |   |
| <p><b>river</b></p> | <p>a large natural stream of water flowing in a channel to the sea, a lake, or another river</p>                      |  |
| <p><b>wave</b></p>  | <p>a long body of water curling into an arched form and breaking on the shore</p>                                     |  |





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| <p><b>water</b></p>      | <p>a colourless, transparent, odourless liquid that forms the seas, lakes, rivers, and rain and is the basis of the fluids of living organisms</p> |   |
| <p><b>lake</b></p>       | <p>an artificial waterway constructed to allow the passage of boats inland</p>   |   |
| <p><b>river bank</b></p> | <p>the bank of a river</p>   |  <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">shutterstock.com • 732778816</p> |
| <p><b>water fall</b></p> | <p>a cascade of water falling from a height, formed when a river or stream flows over a precipice or steep incline.</p>                            |   |






- In connection to land





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| <p><b>dune</b></p>    | <p>a mound or ridge of sand or other loose sediment formed by the wind</p>   |    |
| <p><b>desert</b></p>  | <p>a waterless, desolate area of land with little or no vegetation</p>   |    |
| <p><b>cliff</b></p>   | <p>a steep face of a rock, especially at the edge of the sea</p>   |   |
| <p><b>village</b></p> | <p>a group of houses and associated buildings, larger than a hamlet and smaller than a town, situated in a rural area.</p> |  |
| <p><b>park</b></p>    | <p>a large public garden or area of land used for recreation</p>   |  |





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| <p><b>land</b></p>    | <p>the part of the earth's surface that is not covered by water</p>   |    |
| <p><b>hill</b></p>    | <p>a naturally raised area of land</p>  |    |
| <p><b>field</b></p>   | <p>an area of open land</p>   |   |
| <p><b>volcano</b></p> | <p>a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapour, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust</p> |  |
| <p><b>meadow</b></p>  | <p>a piece of grassland, especially one used for hay</p>  |  |

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| <p><b>soil</b></p>   | <p>the upper layer of earth in which plants grow</p>   |    |
| <p><b>sand</b></p>   | <p>a loose granular substance, typically pale yellowish brown, resulting from the erosion of siliceous and other rocks and forming a major constituent of beaches, river beds, the seabed, and deserts</p> |   |
| <p><b>mud</b></p>    | <p>soft, sticky matter resulting from the mixing of earth and water.</p>   |  |
| <p><b>jungle</b></p> | <p>an area of land overgrown with dense forest and tangled vegetation</p>  |  |

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| <p><b>forest</b></p>   | <p>a large area covered chiefly with trees and undergrowth</p>  |    |
| <p><b>glacier</b></p>  | <p>a slowly moving mass or river of ice formed by the accumulation and compaction of snow on mountains or near the poles.</p>   |    |
| <p><b>mountain</b></p> | <p>a large natural elevation of the earth's surface rising abruptly from the surrounding level</p>  |   |
| <p><b>valley</b></p>   | <p>a low area of land between hills or mountains</p>  |  |
| <p><b>tree</b></p>     | <p>a woody perennial plant, typically having a single stem or trunk growing to a considerable height and bearing lateral branches at some distance from the ground.</p> |  |

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| <p><b>flower</b></p> | <p>the seed-bearing part of a plant, consisting of reproductive organs (stamens and carpels) that are typically surrounded by a brightly coloured corolla (petals) and a green calyx (sepals).</p> |    |
| <p><b>stars</b></p>  | <p>a fixed luminous point in the night sky which is a large</p>  |    |
| <p><b>sky</b></p>    | <p>the region of the atmosphere and outer space seen from the earth</p>  |  |
| <p><b>island</b></p> | <p>a piece of land surrounded by water</p>   |  |



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| <p><b>wood</b></p>  | <p>a broad inlet of the sea where the land curves inwards</p> |  |
| <p><b>coast</b></p> | <p>the part of the land adjoining or near the sea.</p>        |  |

**Exercise:**

**Choose one of the following nature words to complete the following sentences:**

**hill - church - land - jungle - seashell - field - wood - park - village - flower - lake - volcano - waterfall - island - desert - water - soil - ocean - coast - dune**

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ had long beaches and palmtrees all around.
2. In the summer, we spend two months in the house by the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. We have a view of the \_\_\_\_\_ from our hotel window.
4. He lived on the east \_\_\_\_\_ of the country.

5. The wind was blowing so strong that it formed a \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ is so dry that nothing grows there.
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ was so dense that it was hard to walk.
8. We went to the beach and I found a beautiful \_\_\_\_\_.
9. The \_\_\_\_\_ has been seeded with corn.
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ was erupting.
11. I went to Italy, to my grandmother's \_\_\_\_\_.
12. On the weekend, we usually go for a picnic in the \_\_\_\_\_.
13. We had to go chop more \_\_\_\_\_ for the fire.
14. My favorite \_\_\_\_\_ is the hibiscus.
15. While hiking, we ran into a beautiful \_\_\_\_\_.
16. For the flowers to grow, we need to water the \_\_\_\_\_.
17. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the lake was blue and clear.
18. My cousin lives on a \_\_\_\_\_.

19. My grandfather bought a big piece of \_\_\_\_\_ to build his house.

20. Every Sunday our family goes to \_\_\_\_\_.

Answers :

1. island
2. lake
3. ocean
4. coast
5. dune
6. desert
7. jungle
8. seashell
9. field
10. volcano
11. village
12. park
13. wood
14. flower
15. waterfall
16. soil
17. water
18. hill
19. land
20. church

**Read the text and vocabulary.**

A **landscape** is the visible features of an area of **land**, its **landforms**\*.

A landscape includes the physical elements of defined **landforms** such as **mountains, hills, water bodies**\* such as **rivers, lakes**, ponds and the **sea**.

The **Earth** has a vast range of landscapes, including the icy landscapes of **polar regions**\*, **mountainous** landscapes, vast arid **desert** landscapes, **islands**, and **coastal** landscapes, densely **forested** or **wooded** landscapes including past **boreal forests** and **tropical rainforests** defined by **vegetation**\*

The activity of modifying the visible features of an area of land is referred to as **landscaping**.

**Landforms** are a natural feature of the earth's surface

**Water-bodies** are a body of water forming a geographical feature, for example a sea or a reservoir.

**Vegetation** are plants considered collectively, especially those found in a particular area or habitat.

**Landscaping** is the process of making a garden or other piece of land more attractive by altering the existing design, adding ornamental features, and planting trees and shrubs.



## Exercise

Match the right word with the pictures:

island - jungle - volcano - church - village - waterfall - cliff - wood - pond - soil - field - ocean



1. \_\_\_\_\_



2. \_\_\_\_\_



3. \_\_\_\_\_



4. \_\_\_\_\_



5. \_\_\_\_\_



6. \_\_\_\_\_



7. \_\_\_\_\_



8. \_\_\_\_\_



9. \_\_\_\_\_



10. \_\_\_\_\_



11. \_\_\_\_\_



12. \_\_\_\_\_

Answers:

1. waterfall
2. church
3. volcano
4. jungle
5. pond
6. village
7. cliff
8. wood
9. ocean
10. island
11. soil
12. field

## Exercise

Select the correct word on the list to complete the sentences:

cliff - dam - desert - forest – hill - glacier - stars - jungle - village - lake - mountain - valley - pond - river - volcano - waterfall - I don't know

1. A thick tropical forest is also known as a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a steep, rocky slope, not covered by the vegetation, created by the erosion along a coast.
3. In the \_\_\_\_\_, it is very warm and there is no vegetation.
4. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a large area of water that flows toward the ocean.
5. Mount Everest is the highest \_\_\_\_\_ in the world.
6. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a mountain which results from the rise of magma then from the eruption of a part of this magma.
7. A \_\_\_\_\_ has a generally moderated relief and relatively little spread which rises over a plain.
8. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a large area of land that is thickly covered with trees.
9. A \_\_\_\_\_ is an area of stagnant, shallow water with a relatively small surface.
10. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a large area of water surrounded by land.
11. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a place where water flows over the edge of a cliff, rock, or other steep place onto another level below.

12. A constellation is a group of \_\_\_\_\_ that make an imaginary shape in the night sky.

13. Between hills or mountains you can find a low area called \_\_\_\_\_ typically, with a river running through it.

14. A \_\_\_\_\_ are made up of fallen snow that, over many years, compresses into large, thickened ice masses.

15. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a group of thatched houses, situated in a rural area, larger than a hamlet and smaller than a town.

Answers:

1. jungle
2. cliff
3. desert
4. river
5. mountain
6. volcano
7. hill
8. forest
9. pond
10. lake
11. waterfall
12. stars
13. valley
14. glacier
15. village



## Exercise

Choose one of the options below.

lily – daisy – dandelion – thistle – lilac – orchid – pency – tulip – sunflower – hibiscus – lotus – rose



1. \_\_\_\_\_



2. \_\_\_\_\_



3. \_\_\_\_\_



4. \_\_\_\_\_



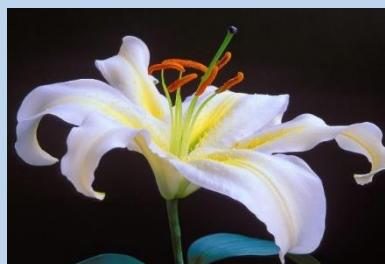
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10. \_\_\_\_\_



11. \_\_\_\_\_



12. \_\_\_\_\_

Answers:

1. lilac
2. dandelion
3. tulip
4. lotus
5. orchid
6. rose
7. daisy
8. lily
9. sunflower
10. hibiscus
11. thistle
12. pansy

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<https://myvocabulary.com/word-list/naturevocabulary/>

<https://www.learning-english-online.net/vocabulary/environment-and-nature/>

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