

ECOSYSTEMS AND BIOMES

COMPREHENSION

FILL IN THE BLANK

Directions: Use the words below to fill in the reading.

seven	rain
driest	grassland
equator	America

and biomes work together and often get confused for one another. An ecosystem is the way plants, animals, and other organisms survive together in a specific geographical area. An ecosystem can be as small as a puddle or patch of grass, or as large as several hundred square miles. Biomes are large groups of similar ecosystems regardless of location, such as tundra, savanna, or rainforest. Each biome has its own set of plants and animals that live on Earth and survive together. There are many different types of biomes on Earth. The land biomes include the tundra, savanna, taiga forest, temperate forest, tropical rainforest, and desert. The aquatic biomes include the coral reef, marine biome, and freshwater biome. Each biome is defined by a lack of certain conditions. For example, the desert biome is mostly defined by a lack of water. The tundra biome is mostly defined by a lack of trees. The savanna biome is mostly defined by a lack of snow. The taiga forest biome is mostly defined by a lack of rain. The temperate forest biome is mostly defined by a lack of extreme temperatures. The tropical rainforest biome is mostly defined by a lack of dry seasons. The coral reef biome is mostly defined by a lack of shallow water. The marine biome is mostly defined by a lack of land. The freshwater biome is mostly defined by a lack of salt water. The desert biome is mostly defined by a lack of water. The tundra biome is mostly defined by a lack of trees. The savanna biome is mostly defined by a lack of snow. The taiga forest biome is mostly defined by a lack of rain. The temperate forest biome is mostly defined by a lack of extreme temperatures. The tropical rainforest biome is mostly defined by a lack of dry seasons. The coral reef biome is mostly defined by a lack of shallow water. The marine biome is mostly defined by a lack of land. The freshwater biome is mostly defined by a lack of salt water.

TASK 5: TRUE OR FALSE

Directions: Answer each question below by coloring in the box of the TRUE statements. Next, unscramble the word using the large bold letters of only the TRUE statements.

There are seven aquatic biomes on Earth.	The Taiga Forest is the coldest and driest type of forest.	Rainforests get between 75 and 100 inches of rain a year.	An ecosystem is the way living organisms interact with one another.
C	R	S	S
Tundra accounts for 20 percent of the Earth's surface.	Fringe, barriers, and atolls are commonly found in savannas.	The Atacama in South America is the largest hot and dry desert.	Just 12 percent of life on Earth lives in the ocean.
N	K	H	M
Savannas are typically located near the North Pole.	The Coral Reef aquatic biome is usually located in shallow warm water.	The Temperate Forest is also known as a boreal or coniferous forest.	Polyps are organisms that eat plankton and algae to grow.
B	A	T	D
The canopy is the top layer of a rainforest.	The Tundra is cold, treeless, and dry.	On Earth, there is no one organism, plant, or animal that can exist by itself.	The Temperate Forests lie between the Taiga and Tropical Rainforests.
G	S	A	L

SECRET WORD

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TASK 4: TEXT

Directions: Find the answers in the text or color them with the crayons.

YELLOW

BLUE

GREEN

PINK

Directions: Place the following sentence in the reading passage.

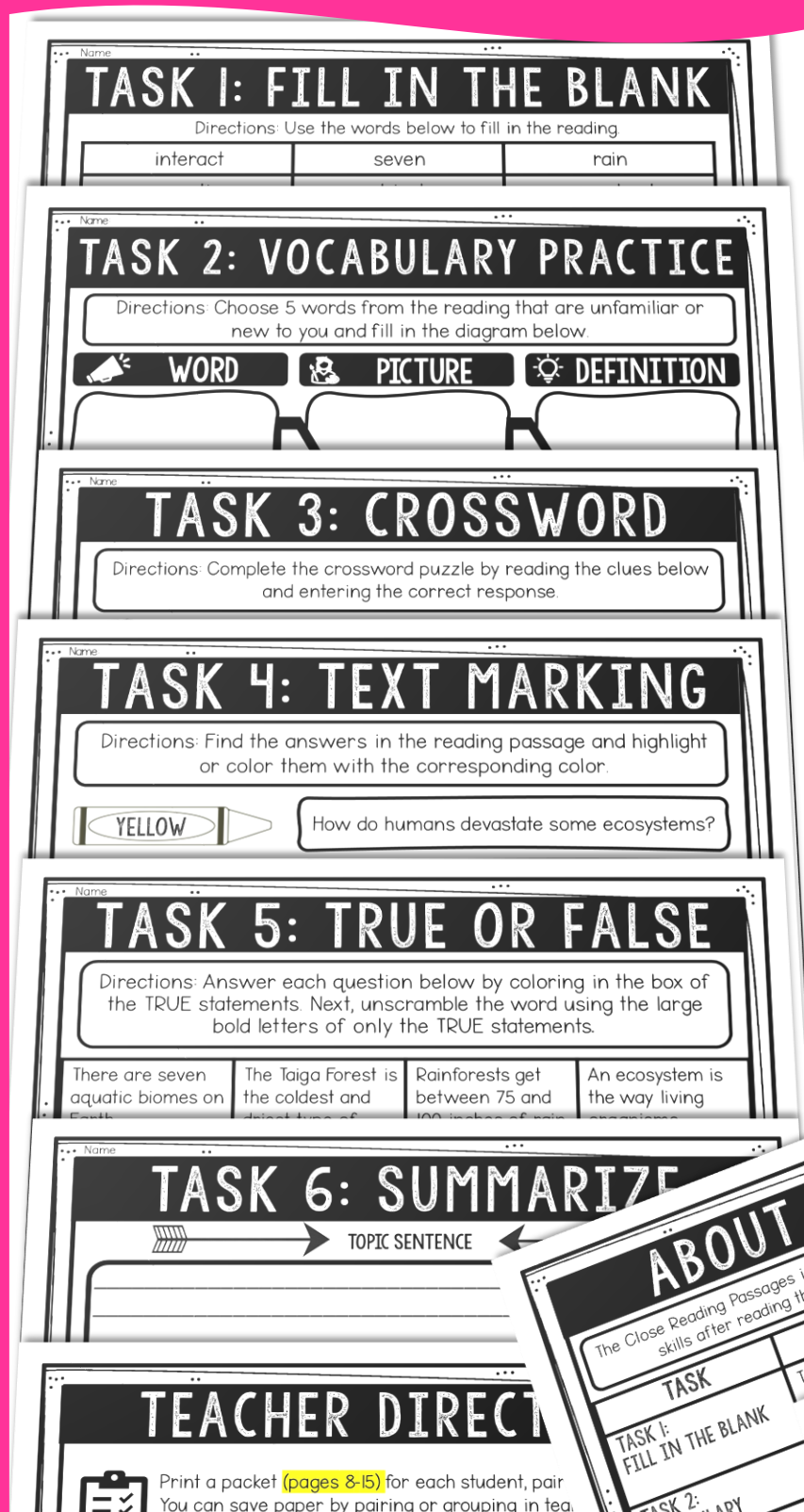
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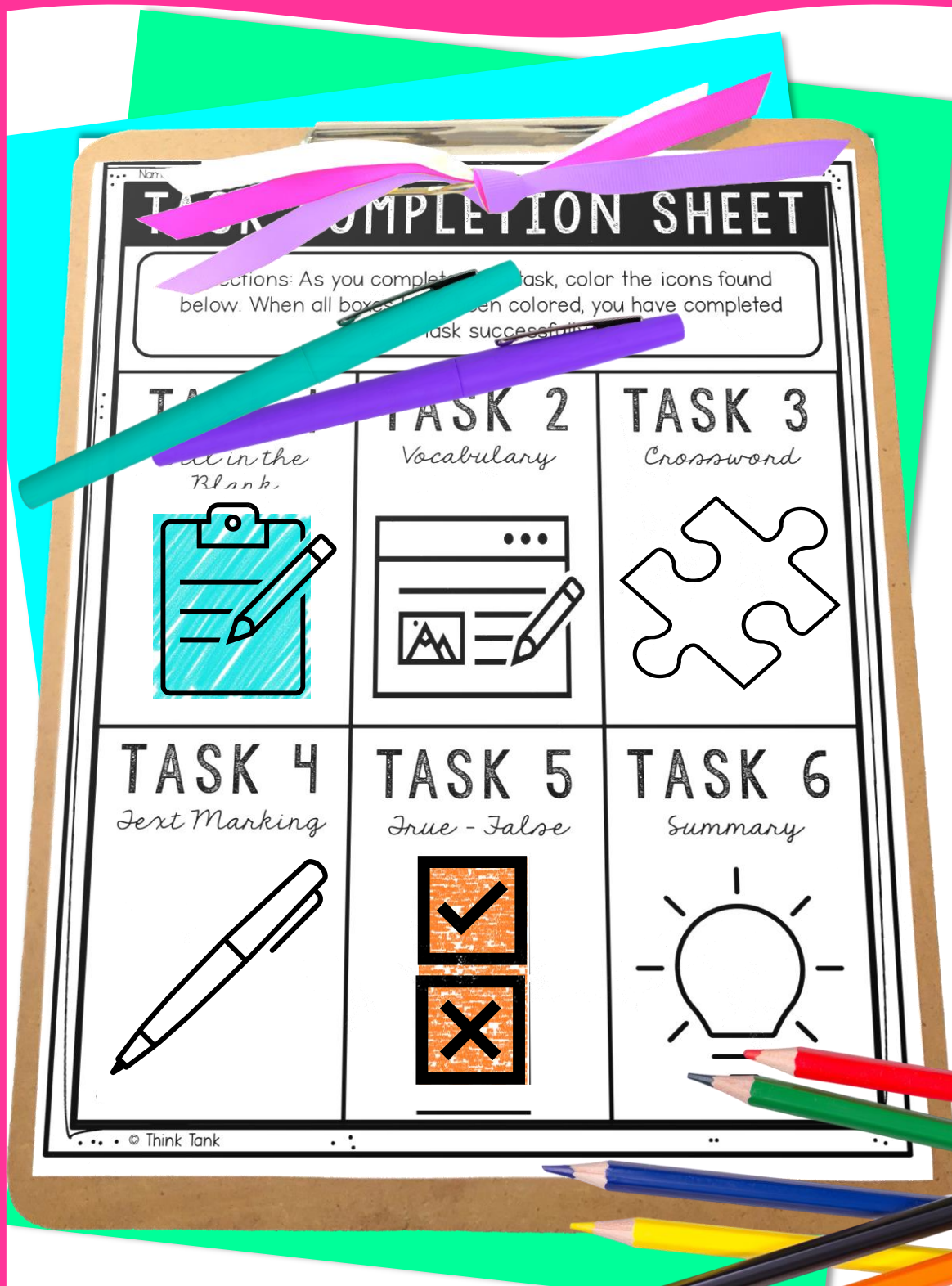
WHAT'S INCLUDED?



- ✓ Task 1: Fill in the Blank
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As students complete each task, they will bring you their answers for you to quickly check. After checking, they can color in the box on the completion sheet. They will repeat the process until all 6 boxes are colored in.

6 TASKS

6: SUMMARIZE

TOPIC SENTENCE

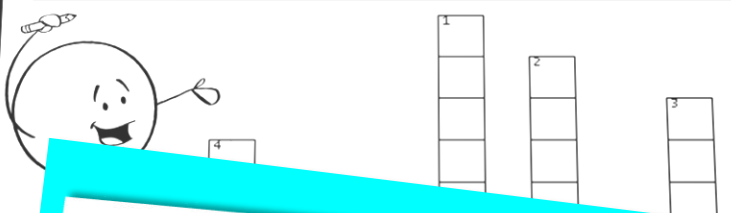
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TASK 3: CROSSWORD

Directions: Complete the crossword puzzle by reading the clues below and entering the correct response.



TASK 2: VOCAB

Directions: Choose 5 words from new to you and fill in the boxes.

WORD

WORD

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5: TRUE OR FALSE

Answer each question below by coloring in the box of the statements. Next, unscramble the word using the large bold letters of only the TRUE statements.

The Taiga Forest is the coldest and driest type of forest.	S	An ecosystem is the way living organisms interact with another.
Rainforests get between 75 and 100 inches of rain a year.	R	Just life in
Fringe, barriers, and atolls are commonly found in savannas.	C	The Atacama in South America is the largest hot and dry desert.
The Coral Reef aquatic biome is the warmest or coniferous forest.	N	H
Savannas are typically located in the North.	K	The Temperate forest
The Tundra is cold, treeless, and dry.	B	On Earth no one plant, that

TASK 1: FILL IN THE BLANK

Directions: Use the words below to fill in the reading passage.

interact	seven	rain
aquatic	driest	grassland
animals	equator	America

Ecosystems and biomes work together and often get confused for one another. What is the difference? An ecosystem is the way plants, animals, and other organisms survive together in a specific geographical area. A biome is as small as a puddle or patch of grass, or as large as several hundred miles. A biome is a large group of similar ecosystems regardless of location, including rainforests, and _____ plains.

On Earth, there is no one organism, plant, or animal that can survive by itself. Everything that lives on Earth needs other things in order to live. All living organisms _____ with one another and sunlight around them, and survive together.

Ecosystems are all a part of a larger biome. There are _____ biomes and three aquatic biomes on Earth. The land biomes include Grasslands, Savanna, Taiga Forest, Temperate Forest, Tropical Rainforest. The _____ biomes include Coral Reef, Marine Biome.

The _____ biome is mostly defined by a lack of _____ inches per year. There are hot and cold deserts. A Grassland biome is _____ with grass and wildflowers. It experiences a hot _____ cold winter. The prairies in _____ the Pampas in South _____.

The Savanna biome is the tropical extension of the _____ contains lots of grassland and warm temperatures that _____ Savannas are typically located near the _____.

The Taiga Forest, also known as a boreal or coniferous forest, they're located far north between 50 degrees latitude.

TASK 4: TEXT

Directions: Find the answers in the text or color them with the color.

YELLOW

BLUE

GREEN

PINK

YELLOW

BLUE

How do humans _____?

Where are the _____?

How many types of _____ are there on Earth?

Where are the _____?

What is the coldest and _____?

Which biome makes up _____ of our Earth?

Directions: Place the following main idea sentence in the reading passage.

? Something you have a question that you do not understand.

! Something that _____.