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Unit title: Would you like to live in the desert?

1 What are biomes?

- A Areas with a similar climate and landscape, where similar plants and animals live.
- B Short-term conditions in a particular place.
- C All the plants that grow in a certain area.
- D Long-term weather conditions in a specific region.

2 Which best matches the definition of a desert?

- A Any stretch of land with green trees which shed their leaves in autumn.
- B Any stretch of dry land with tall grass and shrubs.
- C Any stretch of land with little to no rainfall and extremely sparse vegetation and wildlife.
- D Any stretch of land containing over half the world's animals species.

3 What is the climate like in a hot desert biome?

- A Mainly cold temperatures with rainfall throughout the year.
- B Hot, dry and arid almost all year round.
- C Largely warm and dry with mild winters.
- D The coldest temperatures on the planet with minimal rainfall.

4 Which is the largest hot desert in the world?

- A The Oleshky Sands.
- B The Sahara Desert.
- C The Atacama Desert.
- D The Great Victoria Desert.

5 In which continent is the Mojave Desert located?

- A Africa.
- B Oceania.
- C Europe.
- D North America.

6 What physical feature is shown in the image?

- A A mesa.
- B A mushroom rock.
- C A sand dune.
- D A salt flat.

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7 How was this physical feature formed?

- A** It was worn away over thousands of years by wind blowing sand against the lower sections.
- B** It was shaped by animals rubbing against it.
- C** It was shaped over thousands of years by running water against the lower sections.
- D** Somebody carved it.

8 What is desertification?

- A** A long period of time without rain in a desert.
- B** A process in which land on the outskirts of a desert turns dry and arid.
- C** Extremely heavy rain in a desert.
- D** Using the desert for mining or farming.

9 Which feature is most likely to attract tourists to the Mojave Desert?

- A** The Salton Sea.
- B** A wind farm.
- C** Death Valley National Park.
- D** A working mine.

10 How do people use the Mojave desert?