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Name: _____ #: _____

Relationships & Ecosystems
Do I Belong Here?

Estimated Time: 25 minutes
Age range: 3rd grade
What you need: pencil

New Words

Habitat – a natural home for living things that has everything an organism needs to survive

We are going to be helping Paws the bear find its **habitat**! There are four main parts of a habitat: food, water, shelter, and space.

Bears eat berries, nuts, honey, and fish. They sleep through the winter in caves, hollow trees, and under fallen trees. They drink water from lakes and streams and need a lot of space to roam.

Circle the different parts of the habitat that Paws would need to survive. Think about what is missing. Will Paws be able to survive in this habitat? What is he missing?
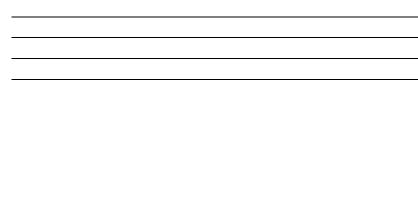
desert

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ocean

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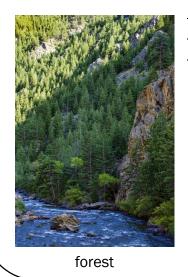

grassland

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forest

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Reflection Questions:

1) Which habitat do you think Paws the bear would survive the best in? Why?

2) Which habitat was the worst for Paws the bear? What animals would survive better in that habitat?

3) If Paws was placed in a habitat that did not have everything they needed, how do you think they would respond (what would happen to Paws)? Why?