



The Nation's Favorite Fun Family Newspaper
 Kidsville News! Brainworks Worksheet
 April Enrichment Activities
 Grades K-2

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 Circle the terms you find. Words can be written horizontally or vertically.

Ecosystems

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Habitats

Descriptions

Grasslands

lush, warm, wet habitats

found on every continent

Deserts

covers 71% of Earth

found on every continent except Antarctica

Mountains

frigid temperatures

driest habitats on Earth

Polar regions

home to polar bears, arctic foxes and penguins

habitat of zebras, gazelles and kangaroos

Rainforests

features the red panda, grizzly bear and hoary marmot

home of the kangaroo rat and desert fox

Aquatic

squirrels, bears and migratory birds live here

Habitat of 1 million saltwater animal species



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Answer Key



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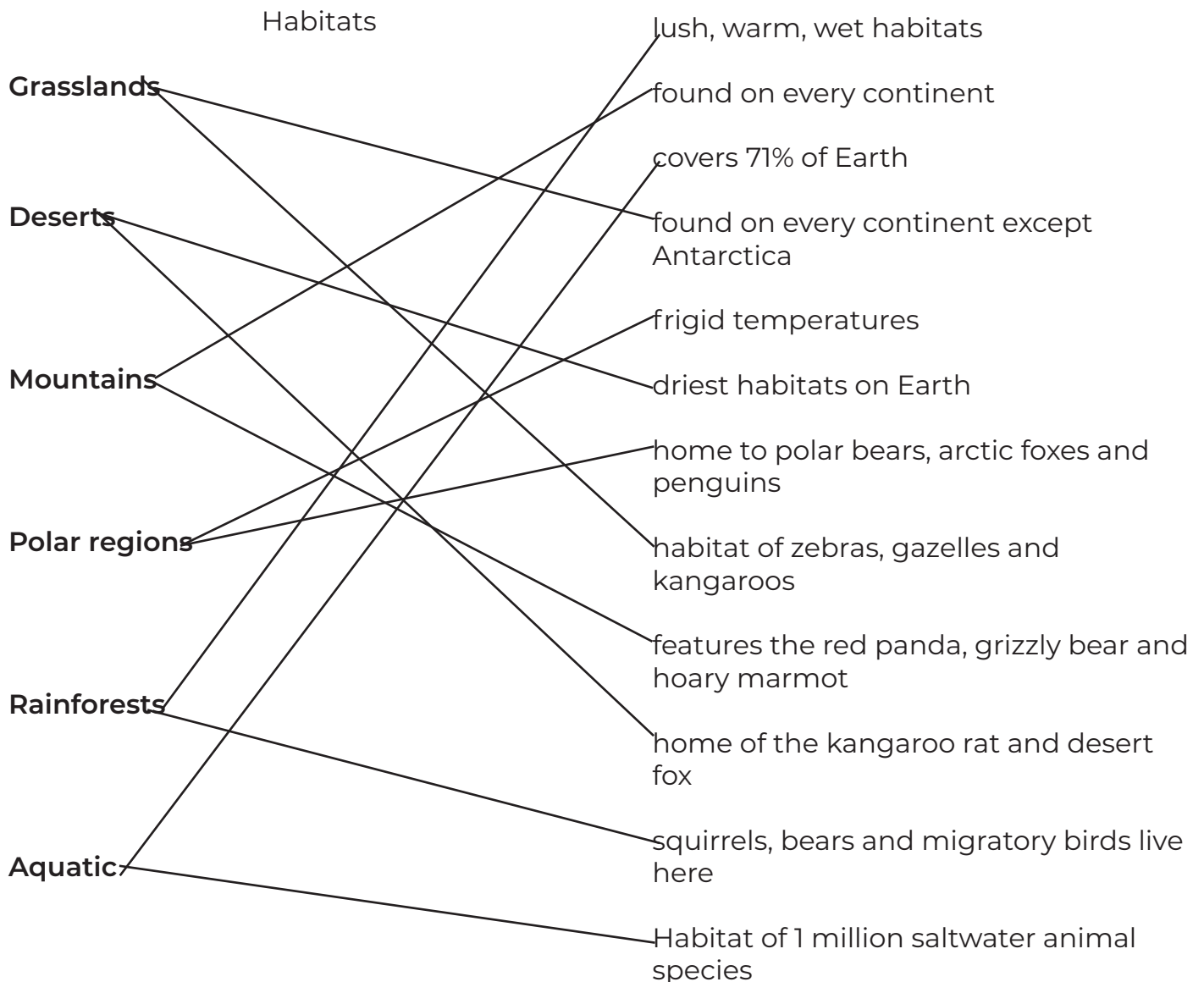


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P rimates is the order of mammals to which the ring tailed lemur belongs.

R eally cute and popular creatures with standout black and white rings on their tails

I llegal pet trade and deforestation are significant threats to their survival and existence

M adagascar, an island country off the coast of Africa, is their home.

A ctive during the day and social

T ree dwellers and excellent climbers

E xisting species of lemurs equal about 100 and the ring tailed lemur is the most well known

S hares some of the social and behavioral characteristics of monkeys
