

## Nova's Guide to Amazing Habitats

Explore the wild world with Nova the owl – every creature has a special place to call home!

- A habitat is a natural home that provides an animal with everything it needs to survive, such as food, water, and shelter.
- Animals are suited to their environments; for example, fish have gills to breathe underwater, while birds have wings to fly through the air.
- The local environment, like a garden or a pond, is a habitat for many creatures, including worms, frogs, and insects.
- Plants also need specific habitats; a cactus is suited to a hot, dry desert, while a water lily needs a pond to grow.
- If a habitat changes, the plants and animals living there must adapt or move to a new home to stay healthy.

*Did you know? Did you know? Some animals are experts at blending in! A polar bear's white fur helps it hide in the snow, while a chameleon can change its skin colour to match the leaves in the rainforest. This is called camouflage!*

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