

# CHILDREN'S BIOME BOOK DIRECTIONS & OUTLINE

**Objective:** Using the information you researched, write and illustrate a fictional children's book highlighting specific information about the biome.

## Some things to think about...

1. Your book should actively tell a story while it passively teaches the reader about the biome. Find a way to share all your knowledge without turning everything you know into statements.
2. Your illustrations have the important role to add details about your biome without having to actually state the details in the writing. For example, the illustrations could show the terrain, weather, producers of the biome, or other consumers interacting in the background.
3. Your book should have a moral teaching and a happy ending. It should be appropriate for a young child.

## Some ideas to get you started...

- ★ Animal friends could work together to stop human interactions from destroying their biome.
- ★ Animal friends help a newcomer fit into the biome, find mutualistic and commensalistic relationships, and stay away from parasitic ones.
- ★ Animal friends help a newcomer navigate through the area and prepare for a special weather event or special feature of the biome.
- ★ Animals get lost in their biomes and have to work together, use the features of the biome, and landmarks to find their way back.
- ★ Have other ideas? Talk them out. Make a solid plan. Then, tell your teacher your idea.

## Details that must be present...

- The location of your biome
- The terrain
- weather conditions, rainfall, temperatures, etc.
- Three different kinds of producers
- Three different kinds of consumers (a primary consumer can be shown as a bunny nibbling a flower)
- At least one apex predator
- one human interaction
- At least two species interactions

## Book outline

1. what will be the moral of the story?
2. what will be the basic plot of the story?
3. who are the main characters? Are they males or females?
4. How will you show the location of your biome?
5. How will you show the terrain and land?
6. How will the reader know about weather conditions in the biome?
7. which producers will you use? How will they be shown?
8. which consumers will you use? How will they be shown?
9. what is your apex predator? what will be its role in the story?
10. what human interaction will you use? How will it be presented in the story?
11. what are the two species interactions you will show? How will the both be present in the story?