

Geography Focus:

Hot and Cold Countries

Year 1

Term: 2

Animals and Their Habitats

Animals in hot environments know how to stay as cool as possible and animals in cold habitats have to know how to stay warm.

Animals living in **cold climates:**



- Some ways that animals in polar habitats stay warm are:
 - Developing a thick layer of fat that keeps them cosy.
 - Having thick fur all over their body and feet.
 - Having thick layers of feathers.
 - Hibernating (sleeping) during the coldest months.

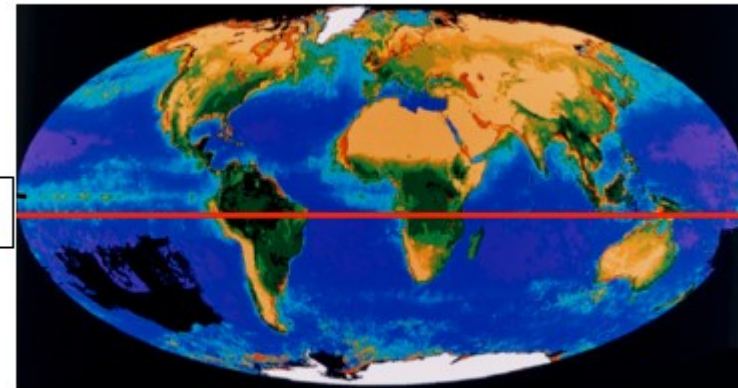
Animals living in **hot climates:**



- Some ways that animals stay cool are:
 - Developing only a thin layer of fur.
 - Living in shelters or in burrows underground where it is shaded.
 - Lounging in the daytime and hunting at night.

Key Vocabulary

North Pole



Equator

South Pole

Cold places

The **North Pole** is in an area called the **Arctic** and is at the very top of the globe. The **South Pole** is in the **continent of Antarctica** and is at the very bottom of the globe.

They are both very cold, windy and have a lot of snow and ice. It's even too cold for trees to grow! People can't live at these places but some people live in regions near the North Pole.

Hot places

Areas on or near the equator are mainly hot and humid. The equator is halfway between the North Pole and South Pole.