

**Unit Title:** Biome Research

**Focus:** Research, Argumentation

**Grade Level:** 7

**Texts Examined**

-Informational -

Biome book collection in library

World Book Encyclopedias

Seventh grade life science text

Biome Websites

[Biomes of the World](#) (Missouri Botanical Garden)

[The World's Biomes](#) (Univ. of CA Museum of Paleontology)

[WorldBiomes.com](#)

[WildWorld](#) (National Geographic)

[World Habitats](#) (WWF)

**Writing:** (Argumentative, Expository, Narrative)

Notes on individual biomes

Argument on best biome by comparing each (Argumentative)

Narrative on day in chosen biome (Narrative)

**Speaking/Listening:**

Biome group debate

**Viewing:**

PowerPoint on search engines and advanced searches

Various websites for reliability check

PBS Videos on deserts, tropical rain forest, Arctic tundra

**Project:**

Compile book with argument, maps, graphs, pictures, facts, works cited page as dual grade for ELA and science.

**Note:**

Grammar, language, conventions, and vocabulary are imbedded in every unit.