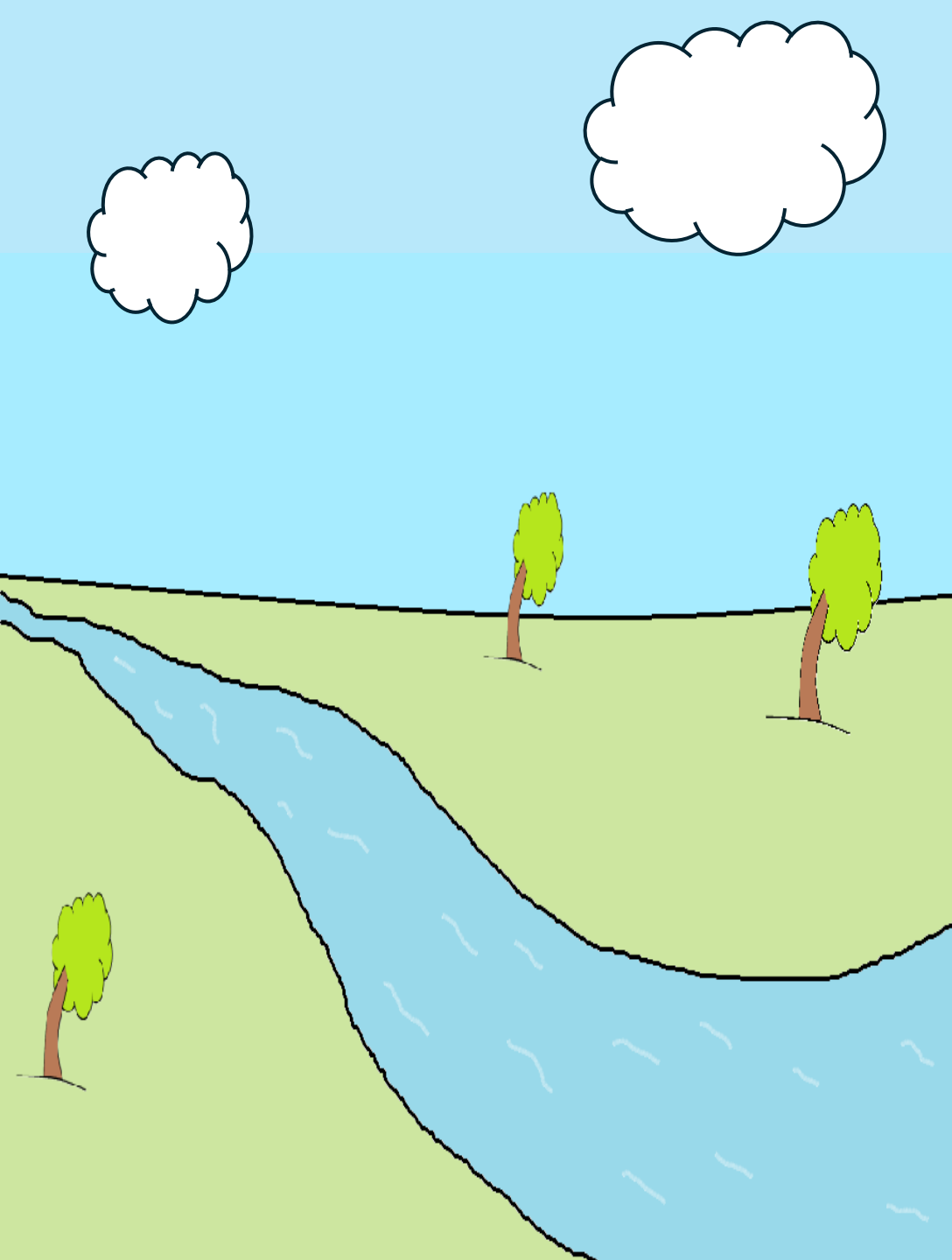
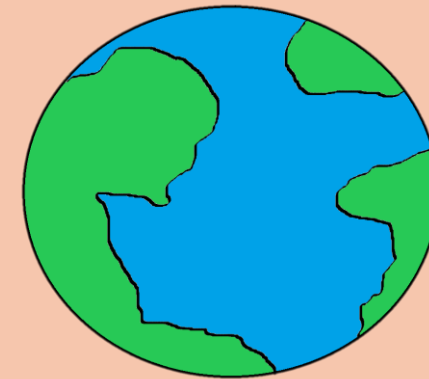
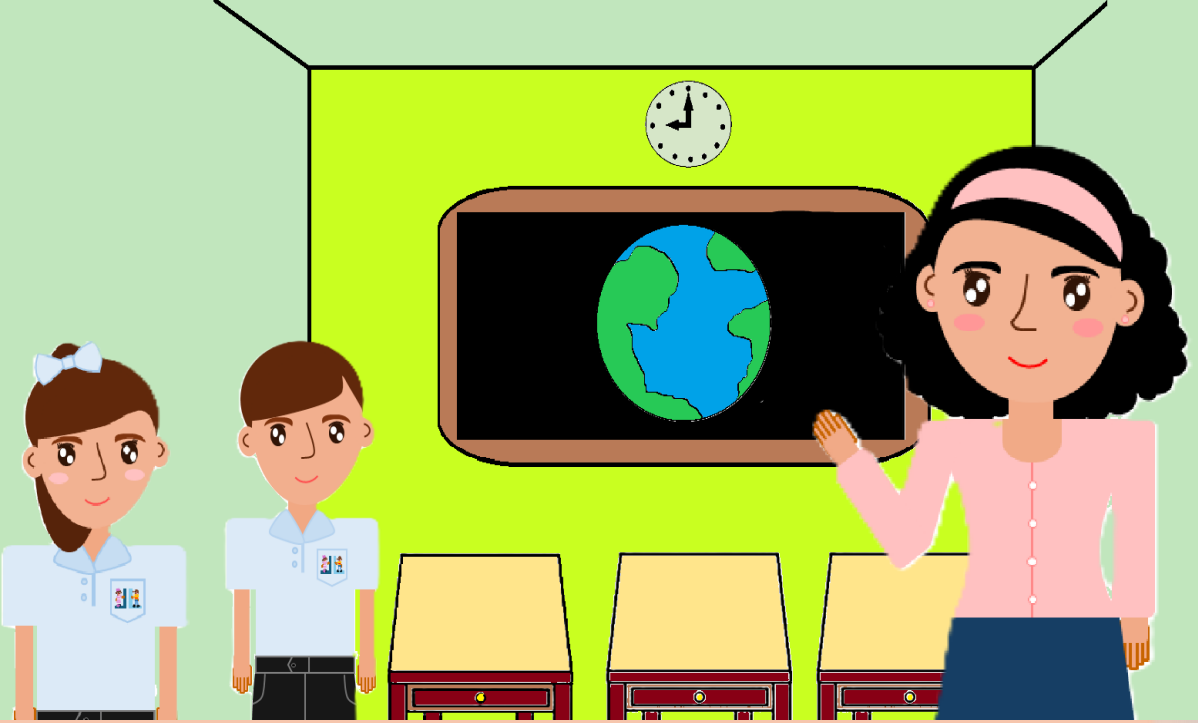




Wonders of the World

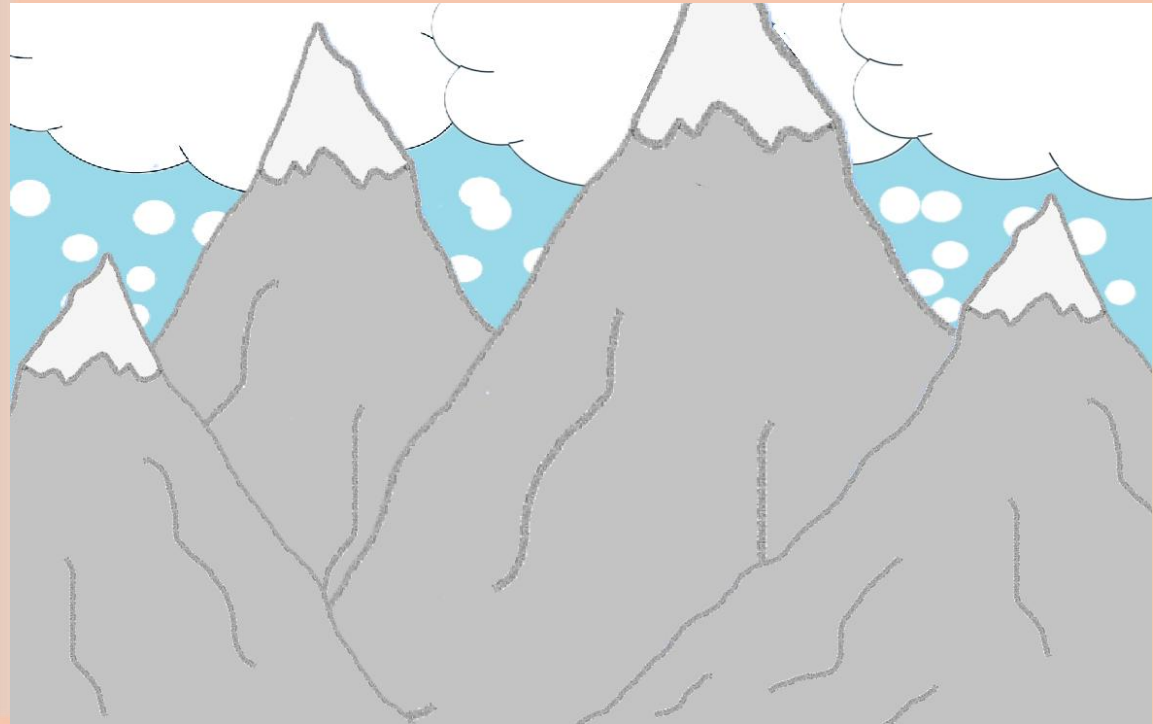


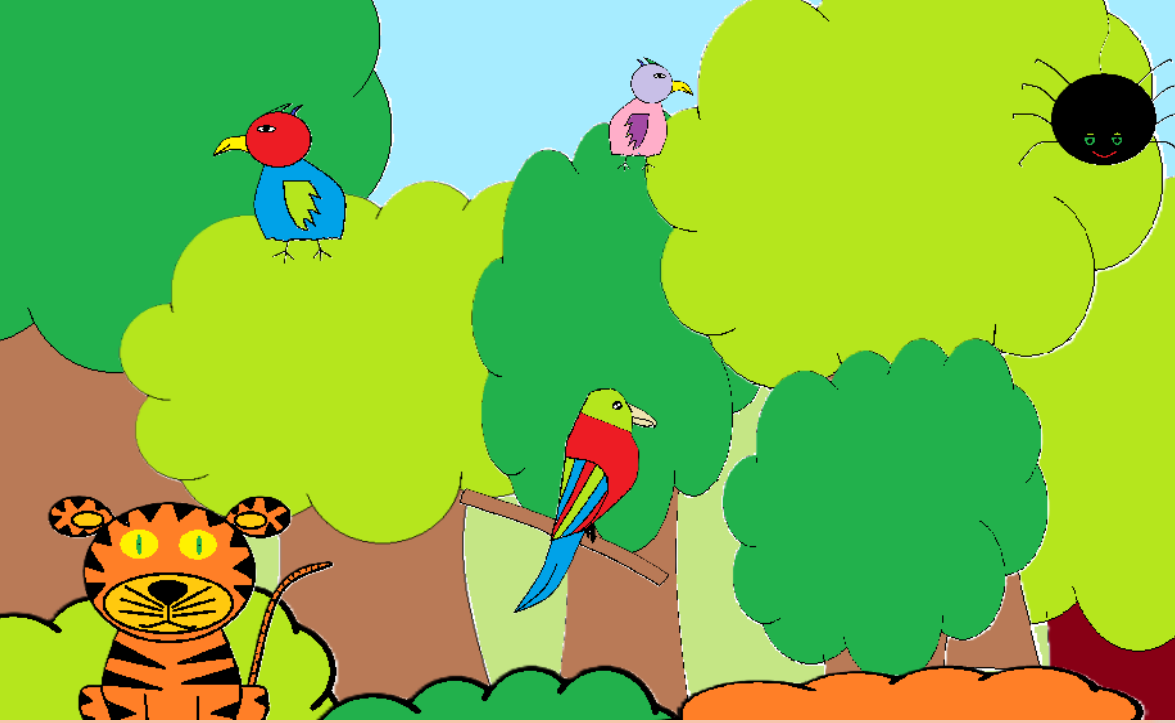
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Did you know, mountains are so big they cover a quarter of all the land on Earth. The Himalayas are a famous mountain range in Asia, and they're still getting a bit taller every day.

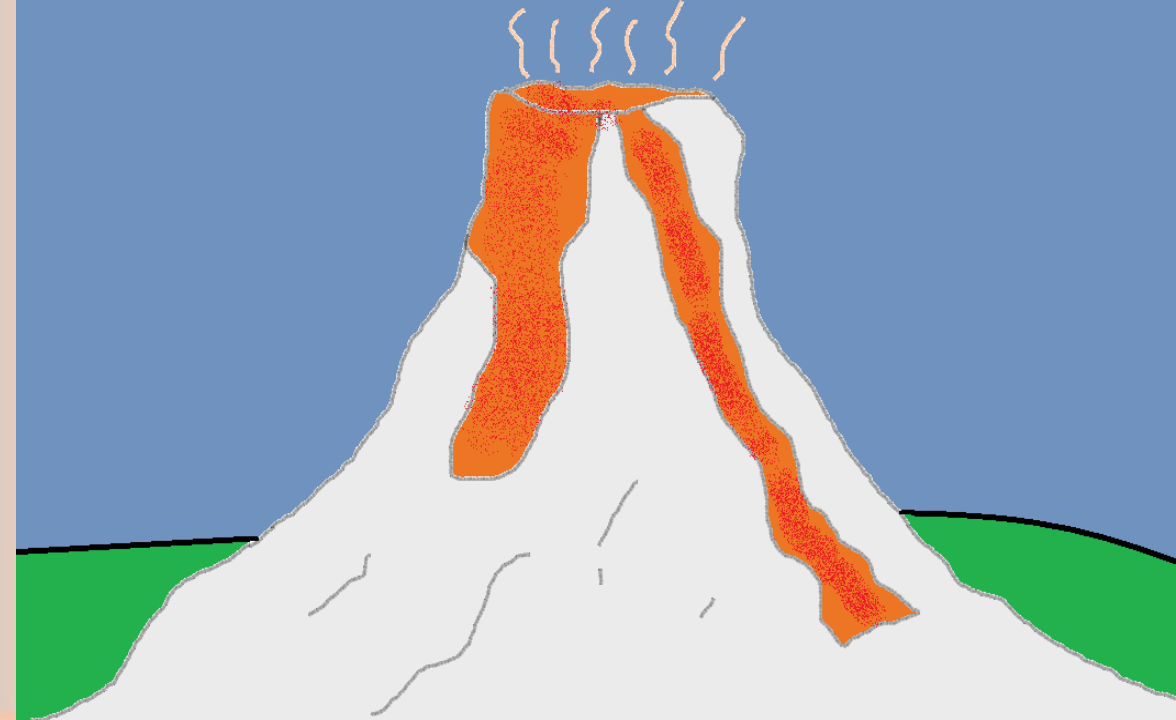
Lek and Luca were really enjoying geography class and were learning some amazing facts about the natural wonders of the world.

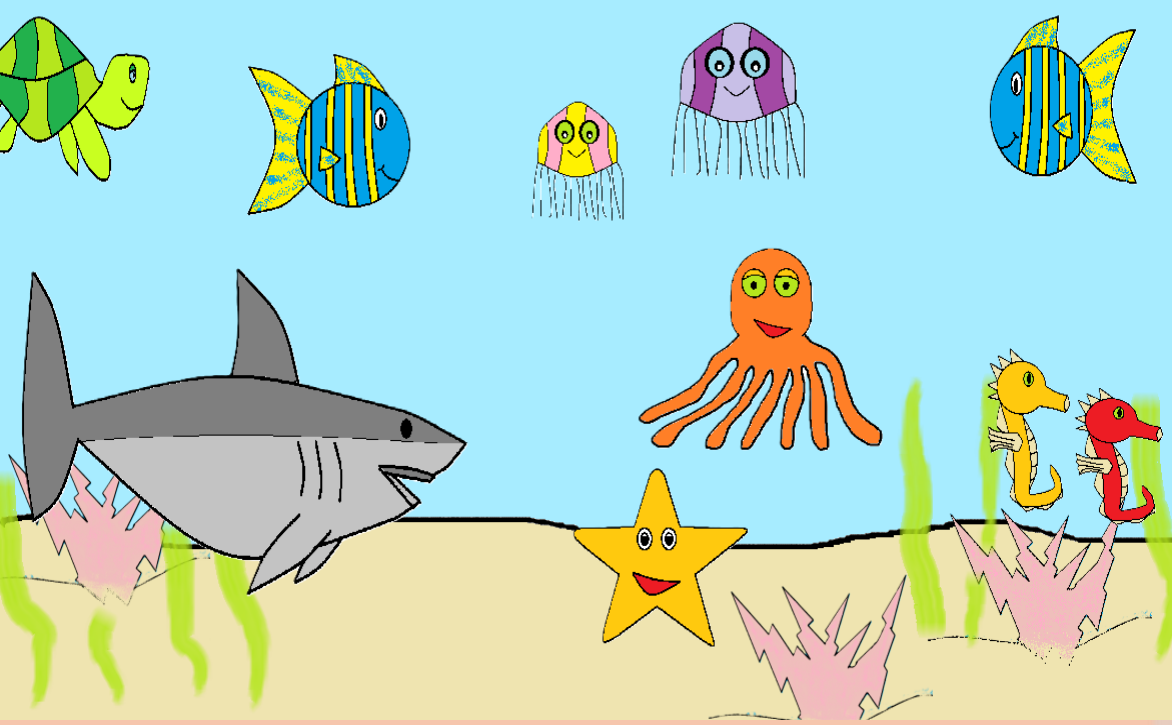




Forests are home to thousands of animals, insects and birds all over the world. However, there could still be up to nine thousand trees that haven't been discovered yet.

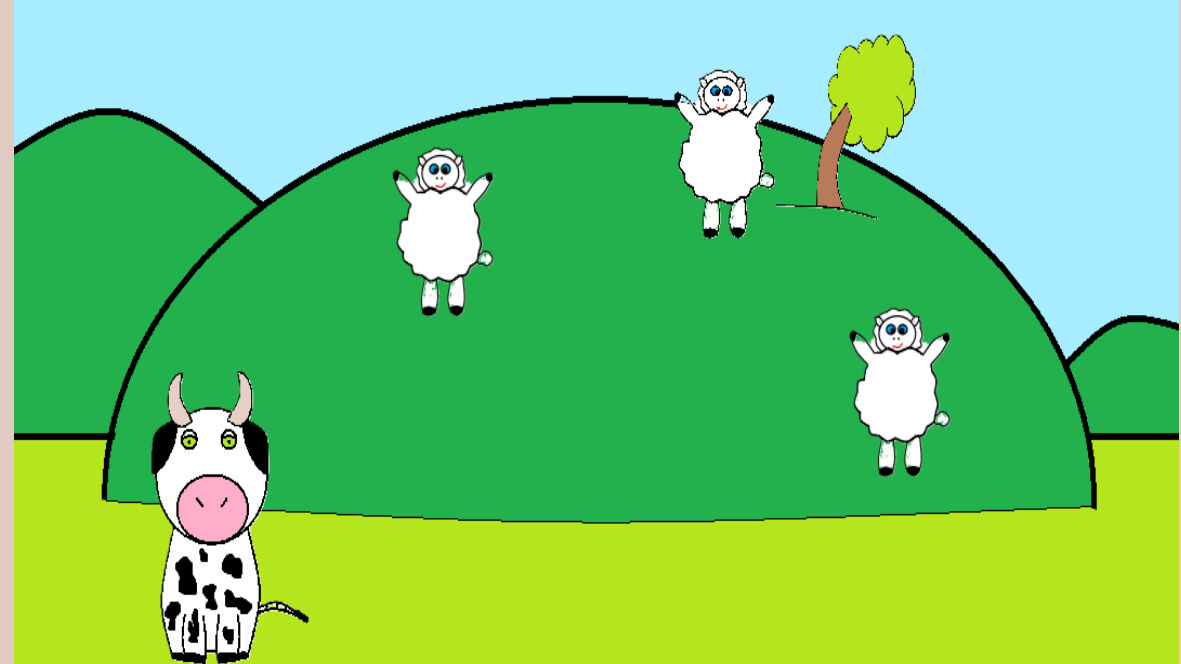
Volcanoes are big and scary but also beautiful. Some are dormant, which means they won't erupt, but many are still active, with lots of lava.

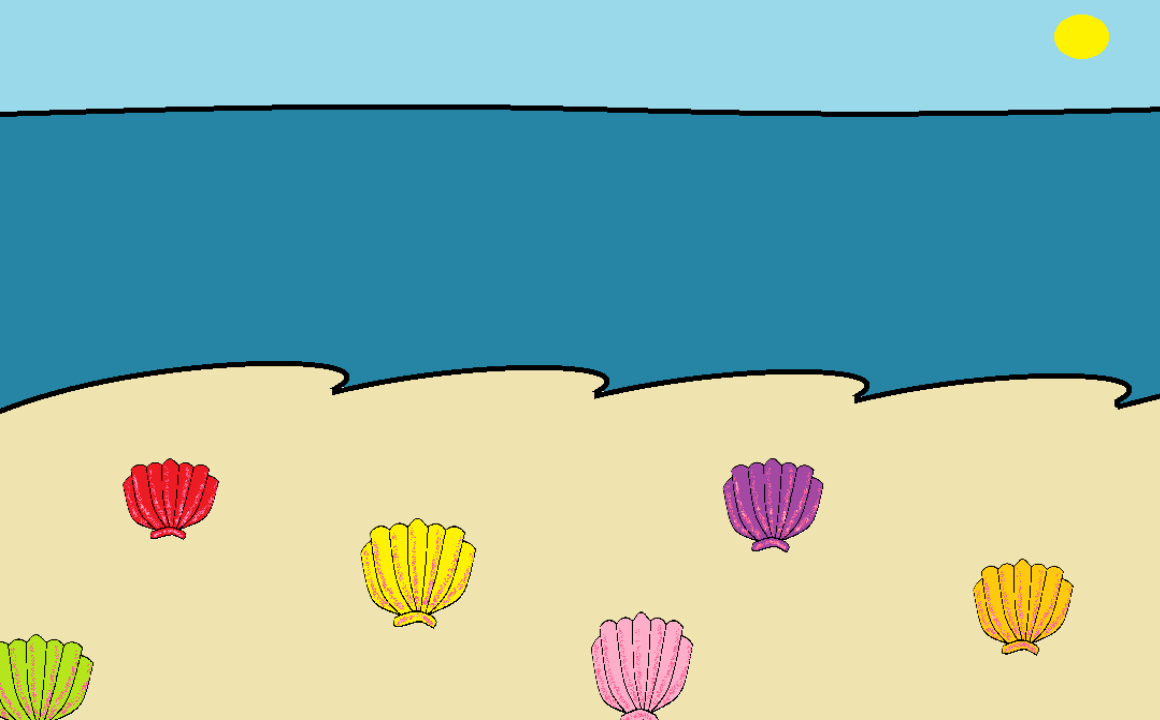




The Earth's seas are home to many mammals, fish and plants. They cover seventy percent of the planet and are very deep. This means there's lots more to discover under the waves.

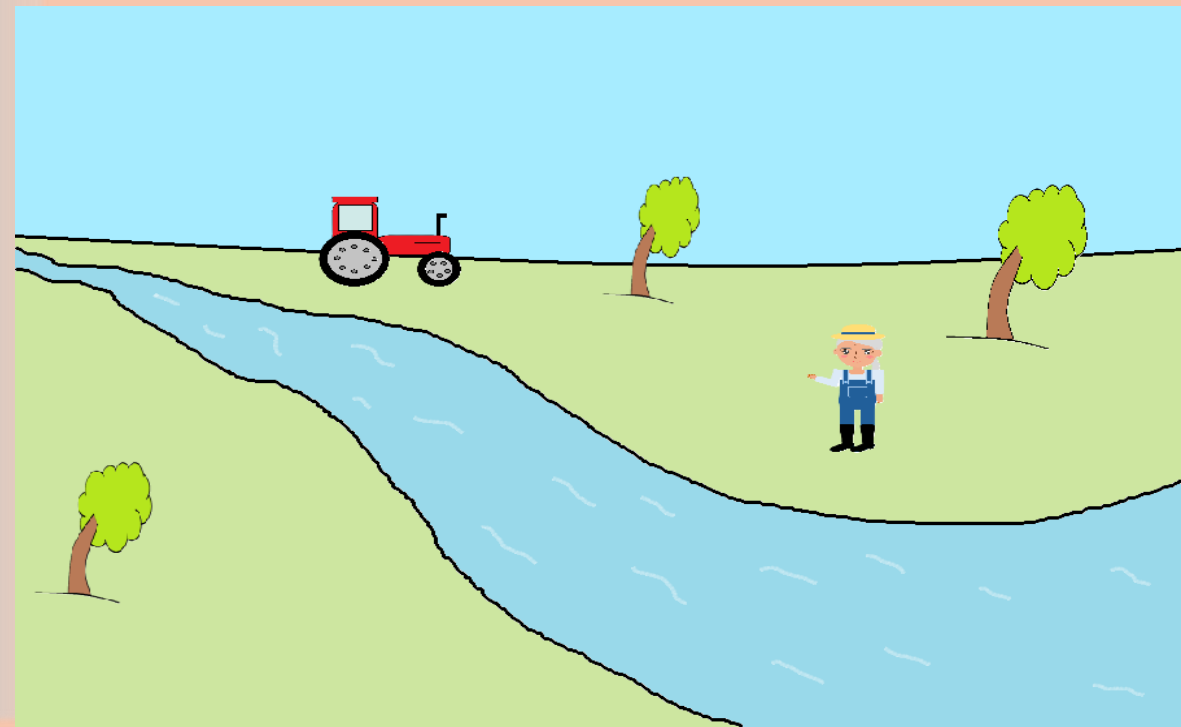
Hills are smaller than mountains and usually a lot greener. Not all hills are natural, and some hills were made by people thousands of years ago as burial grounds.

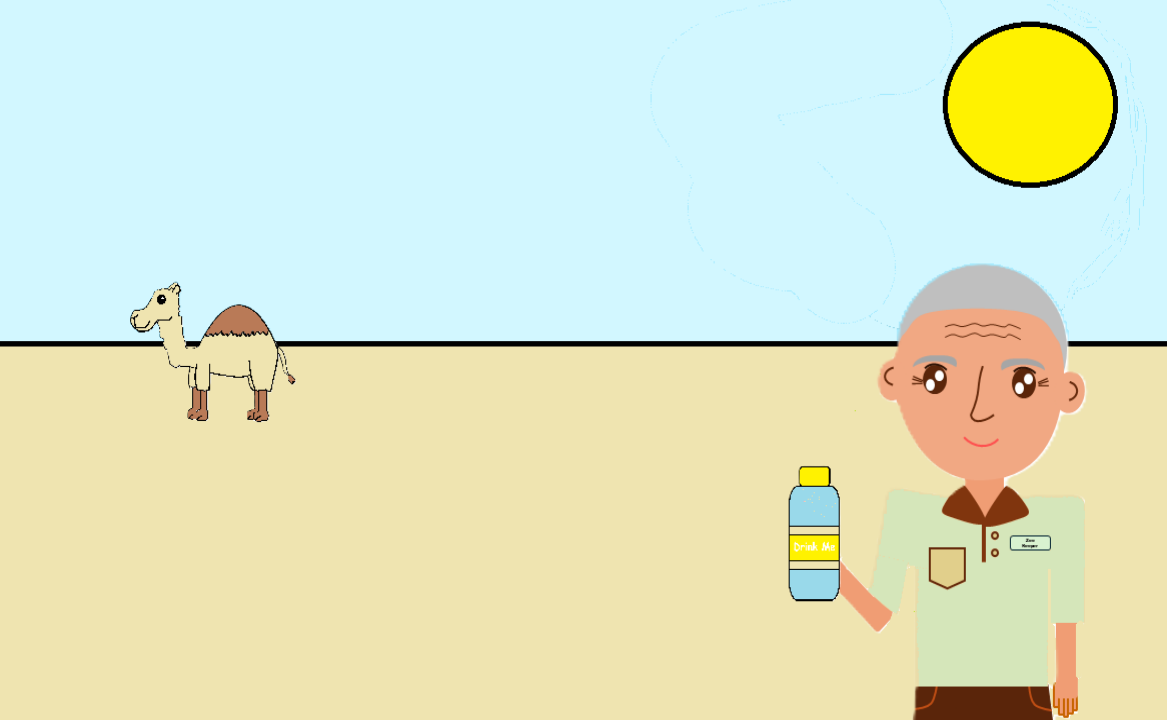




Beaches can be made from pebbles or sand. The longest beach in the world is over one hundred and fifty miles long. This means there's plenty of room to sunbathe or look for interesting seashells.

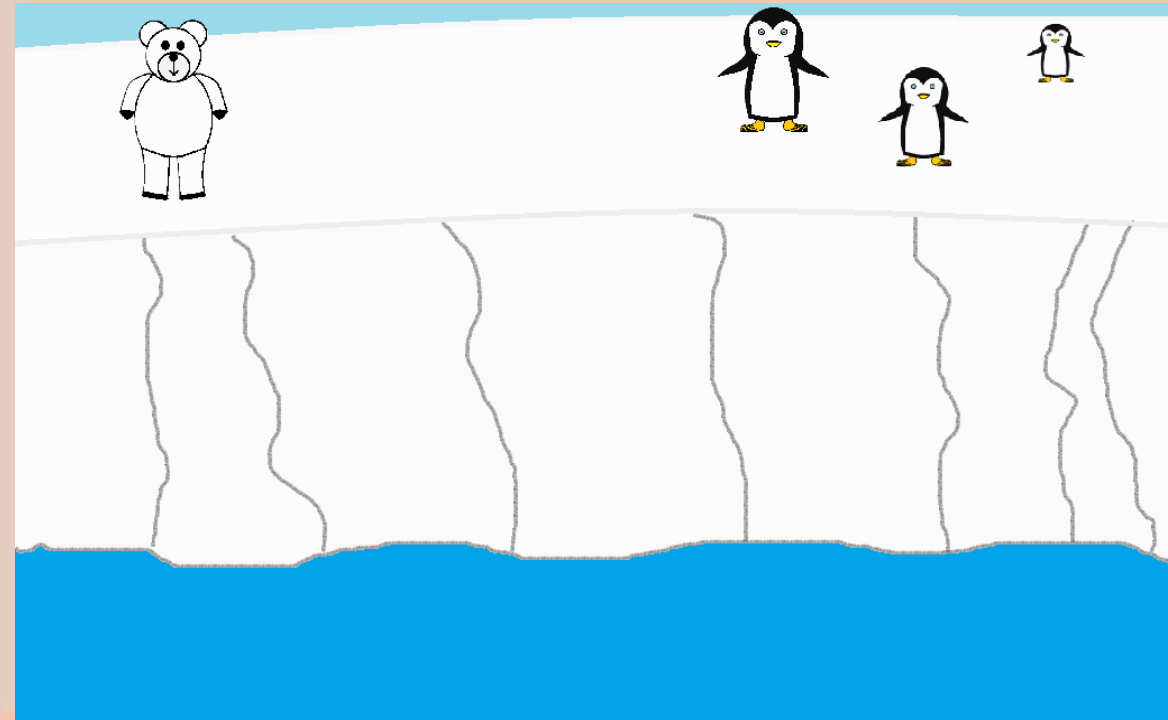
Rivers provide work for many people around the world and are used for fishing and travelling. The longest river is the River Nile, while the deepest river is the River Congo. The Amazon River is the world's largest river.

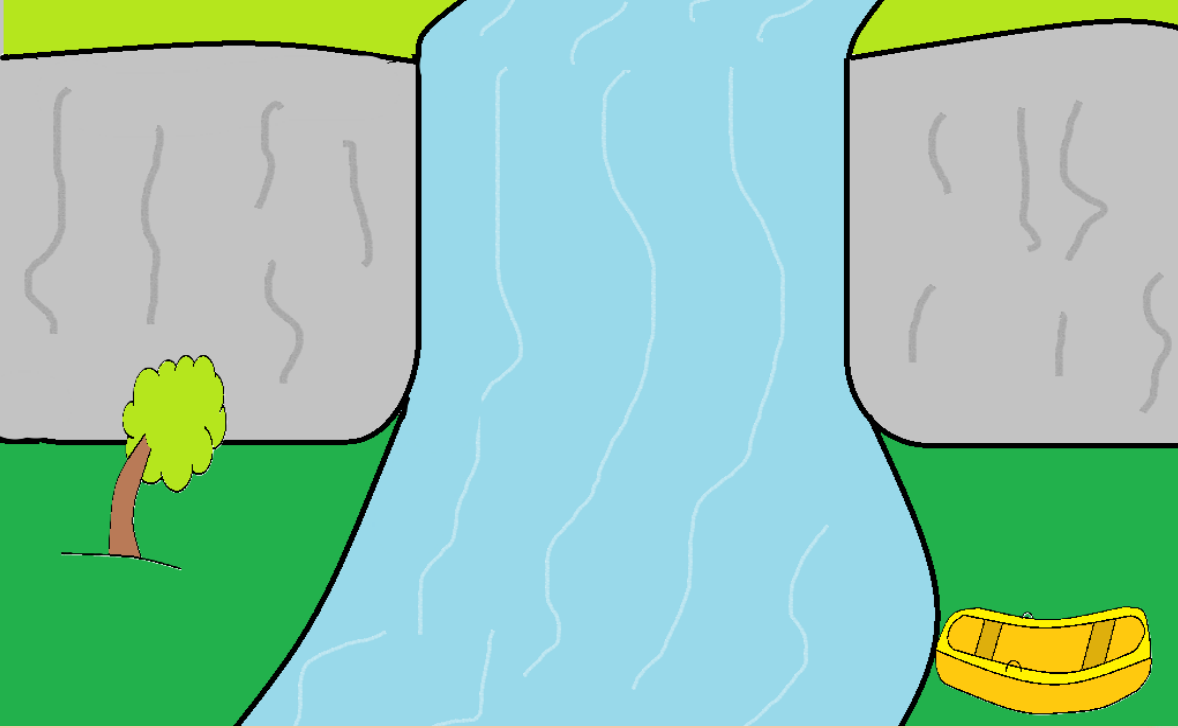




Deserts are very dry places and can become extremely hot in the day. They can also get very cold at night. The hottest dry desert is the Sahara in Africa, so it's good to be prepared with lots of water if you plan to ride a camel here.

Glaciers are found in very cold climates and hold about seventy-five percent of the world's freshwater. Unfortunately, many glaciers are melting fast because of climate change, pushing up sea levels.



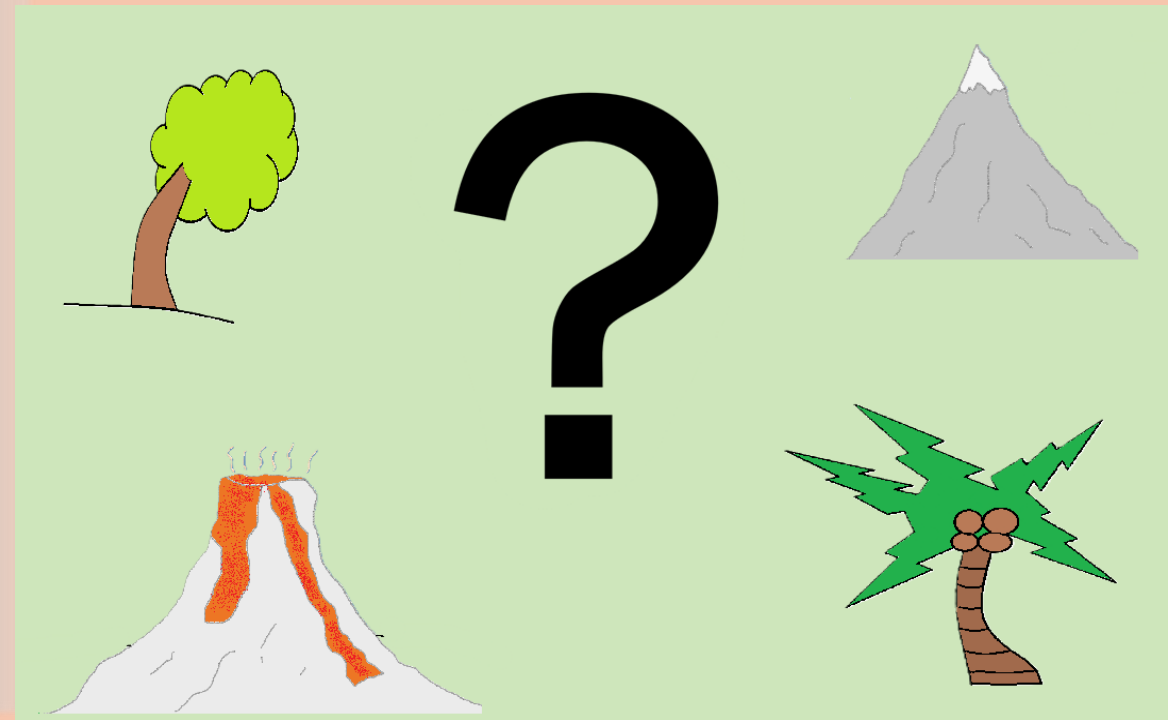


The Earth's natural wonders are beautiful and precious.

Where would you visit if you had the chance?

The tallest waterfall in the world is Angel Falls in Venezuela, and it's nine hundred and seventy-nine metres high.

Hold on to your hat if you plan to ride a raft here.



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