

## Answers

1. How much rain can a desert get?

Deserts can get up to 10 inches of rain per year.

2. What does "adapted" mean?

Adapted means something changed or modified to be better suited to the environment.

3. List one example of how a plant adapted to the desert.

The mesquite tree's roots reach deep down underground for water.

4. Why are deserts often hot during the day, but cool at night?

With few clouds above deserts, they are often baked during the day. Then, without clouds to hold in the heat, the desert is often cool or cold at night.

5. What does the word "arid" mean?

Arid means dry, or without much rain.

6. List a synonym for the word "survive".

A synonym for the word survive may include: sustain, live, thrive, etc.