

## GHOST OF THE LAGOON

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**Vocabulary Strategy****WORDS CONNECTED WITH LANDFORMS**

The word *island* is the name for a piece of land surrounded by water. Learning other words connected with landforms can help you to be more specific when speaking and writing about the environment.

**A. Directions:** Circle the correct definition of each word.**1. mountain**

- a. a tall, high natural place
- b. a deep valley with steep sides
- c. watery land found at the mouth of a river
- d. a natural hot spring

**2. cliff**

- a. a hill or ridge made of sand
- b. a steep face of rock
- c. a river of ice that moves slowly
- d. the coldest biome

**3. valley**

- a. flat lands
- b. where a river meets the sea
- c. a low place between mountains
- d. a cold, treeless area

**4. desert**

- a. an area of land that is often wet
- b. a large body of saltwater
- c. a body of water enclosed by land
- d. a very dry area

**5. swamp**

- a. islands clustered together
- b. a low, wet region
- c. a river that flows into a larger river
- d. the imaginary circle around the earth

**6. mesa**

- a. a land formation with a flat top and steep walls
- b. a long, narrow sea inlet, bordered by cliffs
- c. a natural hot spring
- d. a hill made of sand

**B. Directions:** On a separate piece of paper, write a description of the area where you live or a place you have visited or read about. Use at least one of the words from Exercise A.