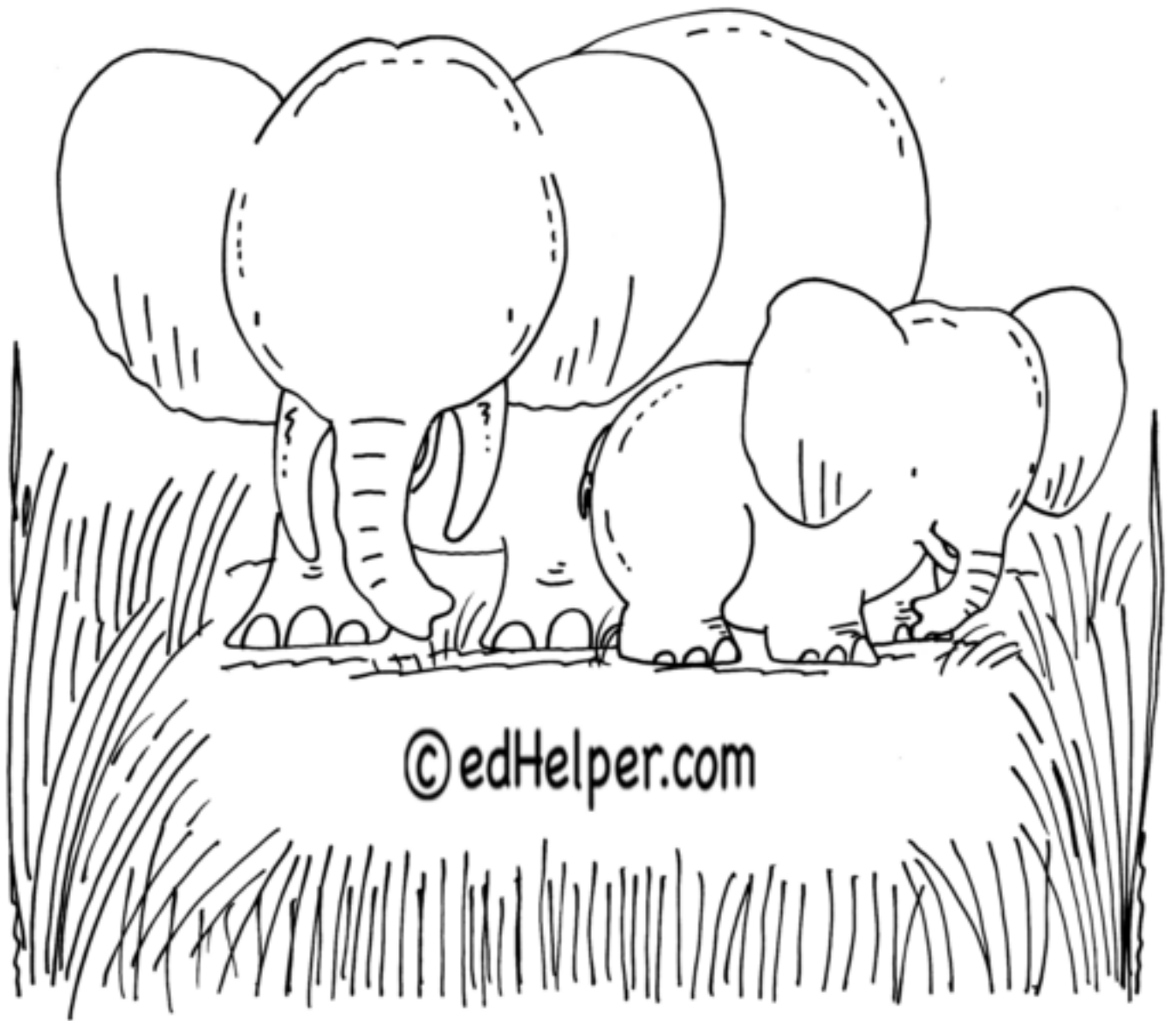


The Grasslands Biome

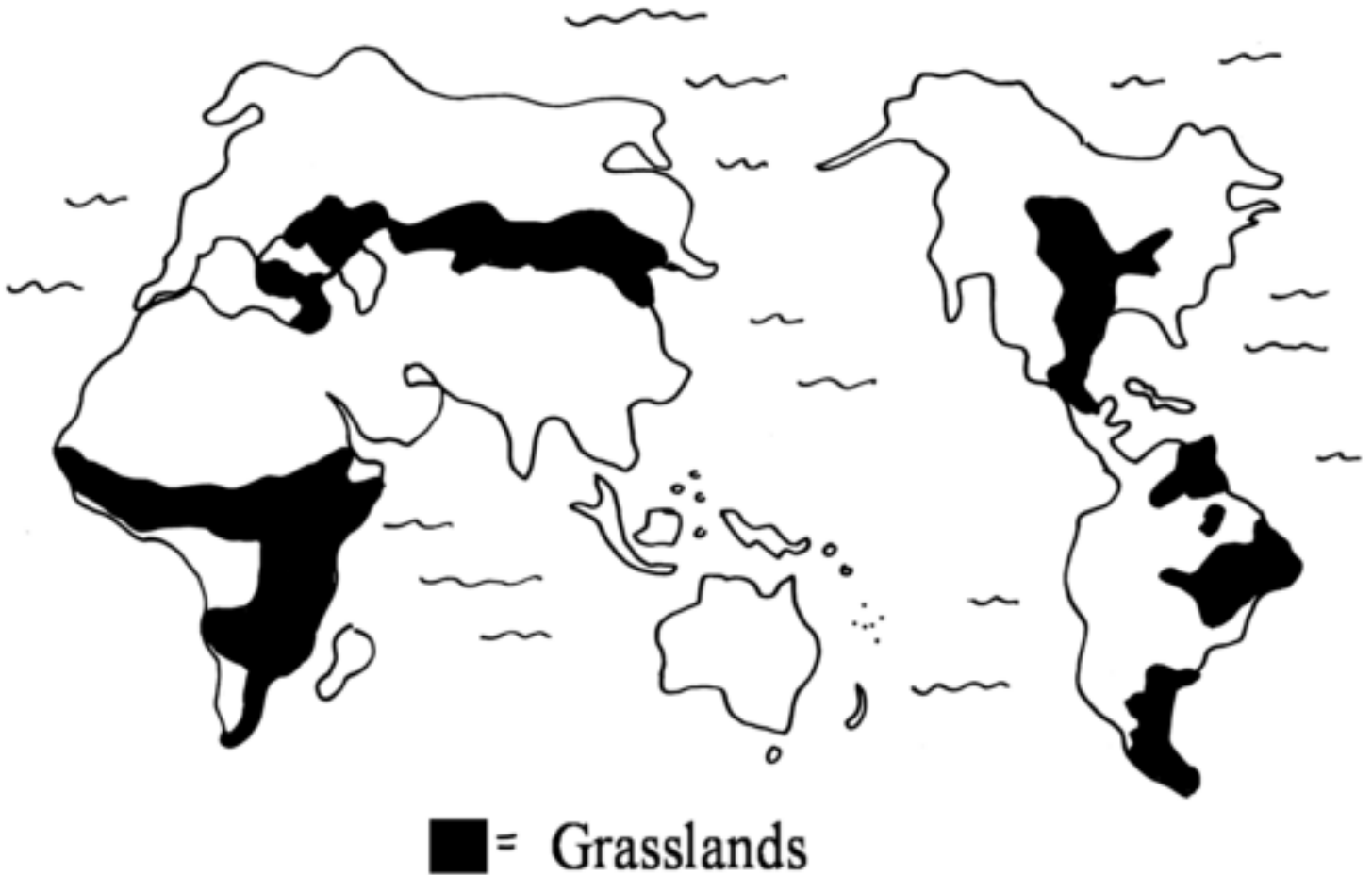




The word *climate* means the weather in a place the whole year 'round.
A biome is the climate and location where a community is found.



There are many types of biomes on the Earth that can be seen.
One is called a grasslands biome where the grass is often green.



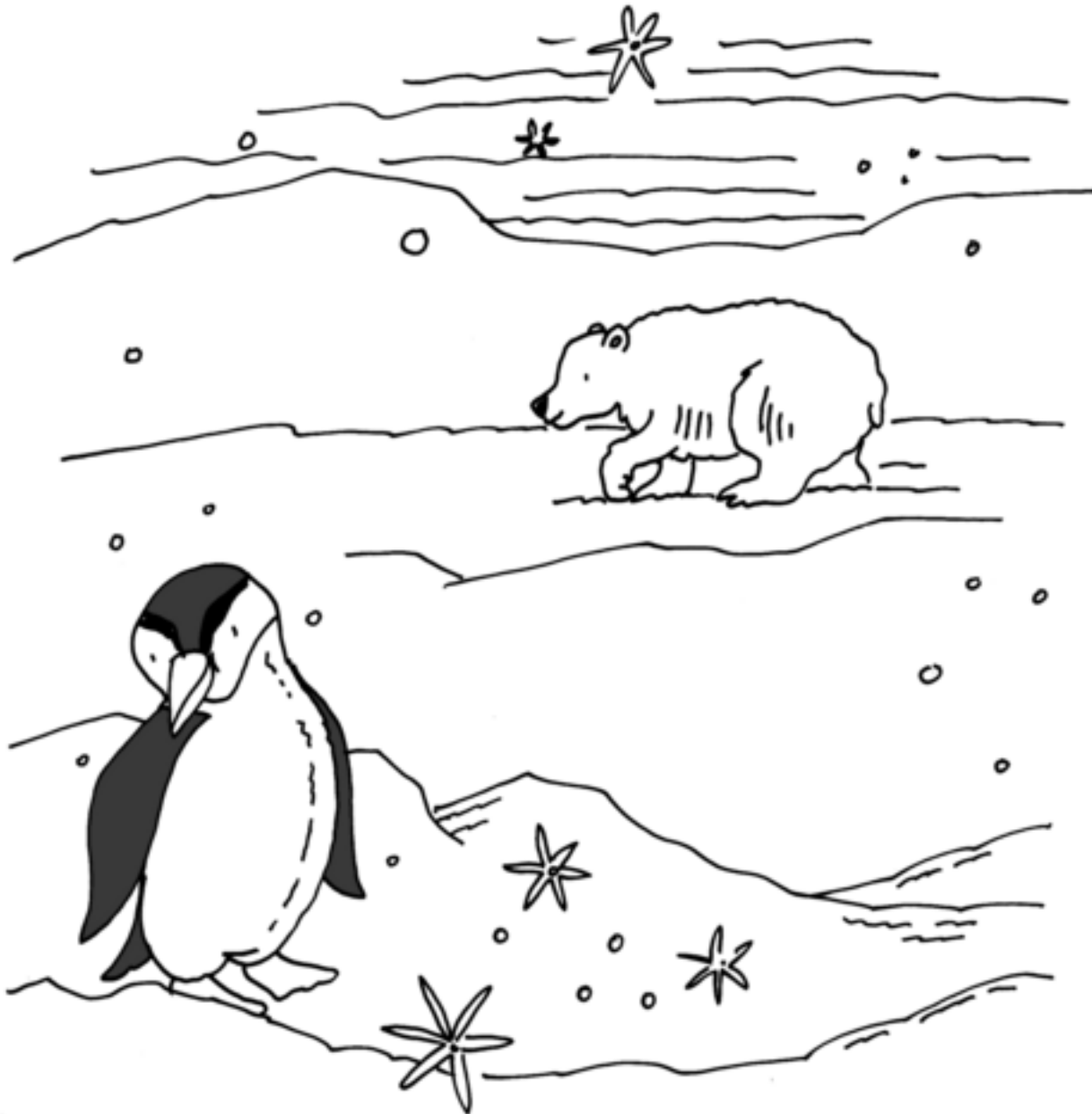
There are many kinds of grasslands biomes; we will talk about a few.
The tropical and temperate grasslands are the names of only two.



In a temperate grasslands biome, summer is warm and winter's cold.
When the grassland flowers are blooming, it's a sight to behold!



Tropical grasslands biomes have a rainy season, and a season when it's dry.
The grass turns brown and withers. Fewer clouds are in the sky.



Grasslands biomes are on every continent except Europe on the map,
And, of course, not in Antarctica, which is covered with an ice cap.



In the grasslands biomes, you see grass of every kind.
And in the grasslands biomes, many animals you'll find.



There are bobcats, prairie chickens, prairie dogs, and fireflies.
When it's mealtime on the prairies, hawks and finches fill the skies.



In savannahs, or tropical grasslands, cheetahs and elephants are seen.
There are purple-crested louries and pigeons that are green.



Many acres of these grasslands we can see have disappeared.
Some grasslands are now protected to keep more land from being cleared.

1. What is a climate?
- a. a piece of playground equipment
 - b. the year round weather of a place
 - c. the elevation of a mountain
 - d. what you do to a mountain

Answer: _____

2. What is a biome?
- a. a community of living things in a certain climate
 - b. a type of watch
 - c. a period in time
 - d. a group of people living in a tent

Answer: _____

3. Besides Antarctica, which other continent does not have a grasslands biome?
- a. Africa
 - b. Australia
 - c. South America
 - d. Europe

Answer: _____

4. Which of these animals would be found on a prairie grassland biome?
- a. prairie dog
 - b. cheetah
 - c. toucan
 - d. python

Answer: _____

5. Which of these animals would be found in a tropical grassland biome?
- a. bobcat
 - b. prairie dog
 - c. finch
 - d. elephant

Answer: _____

6. What is slowly happening to the grasslands biomes?
- a. They are being made into lakes.
 - b. Humans are clearing them.
 - c. They are growing larger.
 - d. They are drying up.

Answer: _____