



## Dry

← There are four major deserts in the United States. Arizona is the only state that contains all four of them.

### 1 PLATEAU:

A large, flat area of land that is raised up on at least one side

### 2 DESERT:

An area where very little rain falls



## Wet

← About three-quarters of the Earth is covered by ocean! There are five major oceans. Two, the Pacific and the Atlantic, touch the United States. When land wraps around a part of an ocean, that area of water is often called a sea.

### 1 ISLAND:

Land surrounded by water on all sides

### 2 COAST:

The edge of land that meets the sea

### 3 OCEAN:

A huge body of salt water

## WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

### Plain or Plateau?

Plains are large and flat. Plateaus can be large and flat, too. But a plateau is usually high above sea level. At least one side rises up, sharp and steep.



PLAIN

### Island or Peninsula?

An island is surrounded by water. A peninsula has water on three sides. It is a piece of land that sticks out into water.



ISLAND



PLATEAU



PENINSULA