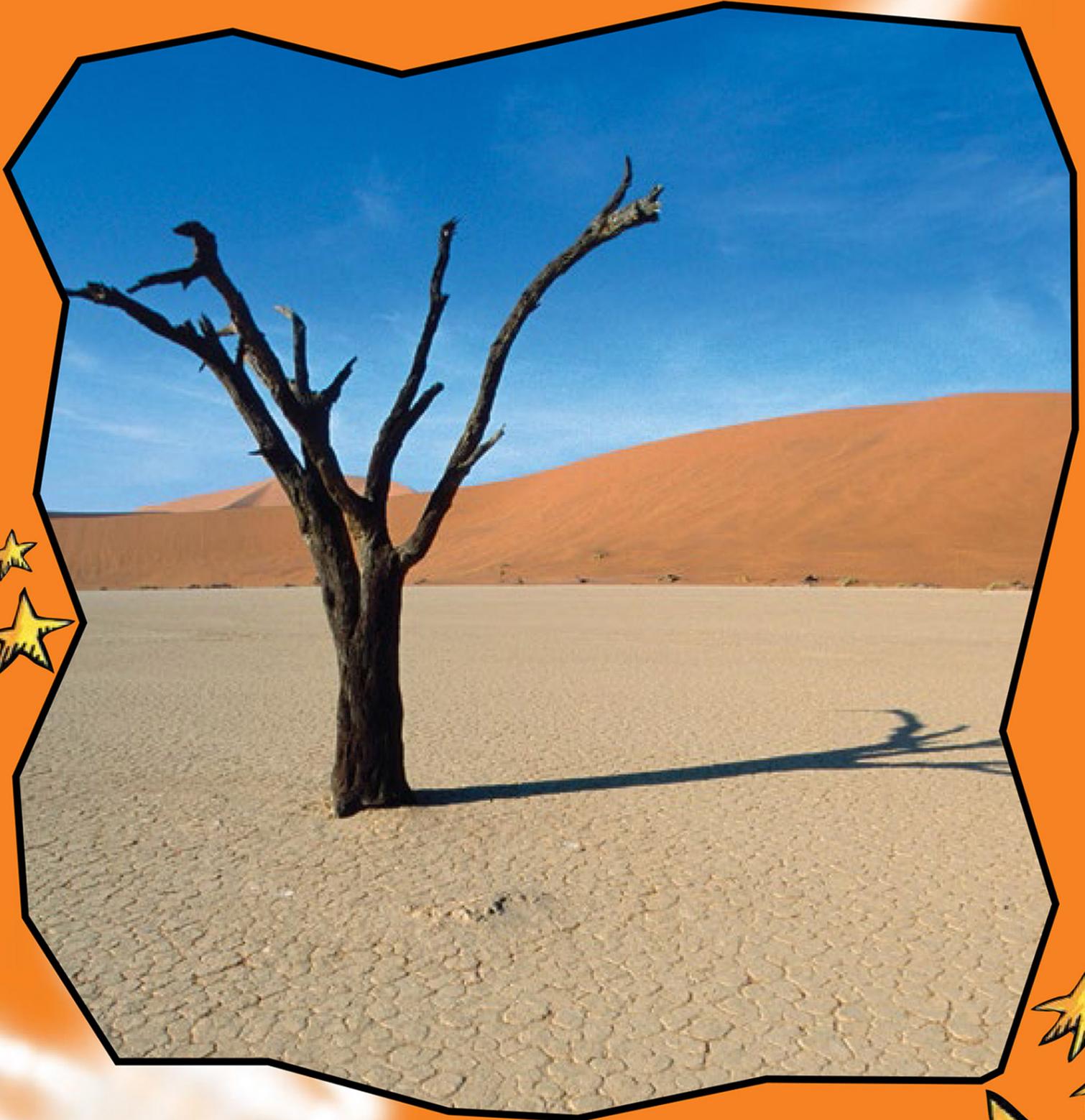




Living in a Desert



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"There are deserts in many parts of the world. Most deserts are huge, dry places where only a few special plants grow. The weather can change quickly from very hot to very cold. People who visit deserts or live there have to be very careful to survive."



because grow inside live much need under water



- Use Teacher Talk to stimulate discussion of topic.
- Refer to Contents list to locate specific information.
- Use Glossary to check and clarify basic concepts.
- Develop research skills based on this topic.
- Identify suffixes **-er** and **-est**: **taller biggest**
- Review use of apostrophe for contractions: **doesn't it's**
- Develop visual discrimination: **like/live/life they/then**
- Understand irregular plurals: **cactuses ostriches**
- Use captions to expand on text.
- Promote drama, writing or art as follow-up activities.

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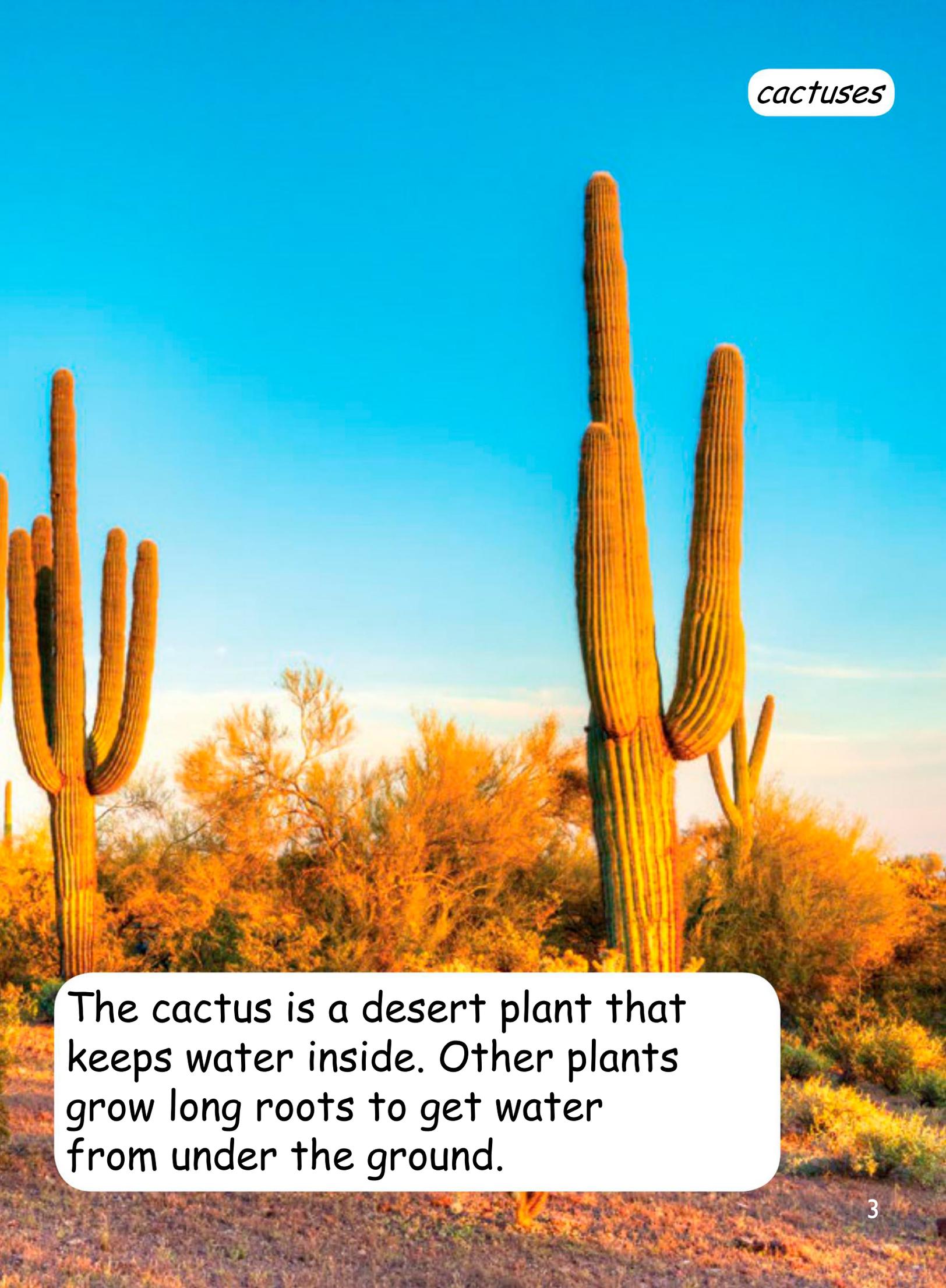
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A desert is a big, dry place that doesn't get much rain. It is a hard place to live, because everything needs water.



The cactus is a desert plant that keeps water inside. Other plants grow long roots to get water from under the ground.

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