Denali – the tallest mountain in North America is 6144m tall and used to be called Mount McKinley.

Alaska and the Grand Canyon have several biomes and aren’t just cold and snowy or desert places. The animals and plants that live there have adapted to their environment over many years.

Vocabulary Dozen

- Alaska – one of the 50 states in the USA
- Arctic Circle – a latitude line near the north pole
- biome – areas of the planet with similar climate, landscape, animals and plants
- climate – the weather conditions of an area over long periods of time
- countries – an area of land controlled by a single government
- desert – a biome that doesn’t get much rain
- Grand Canyon – a large hole carved out of the desert by the Colorado River
- habitat – a part of a biome where specific plants and animals live
- latitude – invisible lines that go east and west on a map or globe
- longitude - invisible lines that go north and south on a map or globe
- states – a part of a country that usually has its own government, the USA is made of 50 states
- tundra – a cold biome where plants struggle to grow