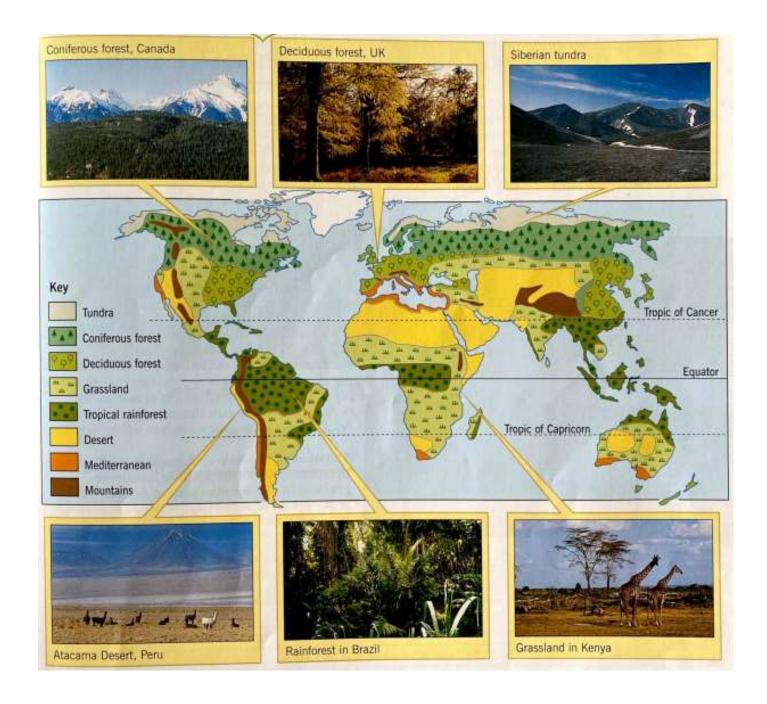
Map A Some major world ecosystems (biomes).



An ecosystem is a community of plants and animals whose lives are closely linked to each other and to the climate and soil of the area in which they grow or live. Ecosystems may be changed by human activity.