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# Finding Patterns in the Desert

Patterns can be shapes,  
colors, or sizes that  
repeat over and over.



You can see patterns all  
around a desert.

Fur on camels can form  
a pattern.

Light, dark.





One round desert  
cactus is not a pattern.

It does not repeat.



Clumps of cactuses,  
however, form a pattern.

They make a pattern of  
spiky, round shapes.









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# Patterns in the **DESERT**

A rattlesnake moves sideways, making a wavy pattern in the sand. Clumps of round cactuses form a pattern of circular shapes. The brown-and-yellow skin on a lizard's body forms a striped pattern. There are lots of patterns to see in a dry, hot desert!

Look inside to learn all about different shapes, colors, and sizes that can make up patterns in a desert.

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