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Migration

Fruit

Bud

Creosote

Hibernation

White-winged Dove

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Learn about *Phenology* with this word search!

Phenology (FEE-nowl-O-gee) is the study of the seasonal life-cycle events in plants and animals, and their relationship to their environment and the climate. We are interested to know how and when these changes happen, and if their timing is affected by changes in weather and climate. Scientists can study phenology to better understand what might happen to many species on our planet as we experience climate change. Answer the questions below about some familiar desert species and find the words on the other side!

1. Which bird is a common pollinator of saguaro flowers?

_____ s help pollinate saguaros.

2. What is it called when a desert tortoise goes into hiding in the winter? They go into

_____.

3. What plant can you smell when it rains in the desert? The _____ bush.

4. What is a flower called before it opens? A flower _____.

5. What is it called when birds travel south for the winter? _____

happens when some birds fly south for the winter. It is the process of going from one place to another.

6. After a flower is pollinated, what does it turn into? **HINT:** some of them are deliciously edible! A flower turns into a _____ after it is pollinated.

