

## Morning Starters: Spring 2 - Sahara Desert

### Word Challenge

#### Word Ladder

**Create a ladder of desert-themed words, where the last letter of the word below is the first letter of the word above.**

**Example:**


ecosystem

extreme

dune

sand

### Grammar Challenge

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**Proofread and rewrite the sentence below so that there are no punctuation, spelling or grammar errors.**

The saharas legendary singing dunes has captivated travellers for centurys with there eerie and mystical sounds.

### Did You Know?

The Sahara Desert is home to enormous sand dunes, some towering over 180 metres high. These giant dunes are shaped by powerful winds that move and pile up billions of tiny sand grains. As the sand shifts, it can create a strange humming sound that echoes through the desert. This natural phenomenon, known as the 'singing dunes,' is both mysterious and fascinating.

**Where in the world is the Sahara Desert?** Click the 



Credit: BBC One - Africa

### Number Challenge

**Fact:** The hottest temperature ever recorded in the Sahara was 136°F.

**Reach (or get close to) a target of 136 by using some (or all) of the 4 operations and the following numbers:**

50	30	20	9	8	4	2
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**Help:** Round the number to a multiple of 10 and use subtraction.

### Critical Thinking

Who would have thought that sand could sing!

**Write some different statements of surprise that start in the same way:**

**Example:** Who would have thought that astronauts grow taller in space!