Ouch! Watch out for a cactus’s prickly _______! Most cactuses grow in _____, dry places but some grow in rain forests and on mountains. Some even grow in _______ places. Cactuses may be less than 2.5 centimetres high or taller than a _______! Cactuses have _______ that help them live in dry places.

The thick, fleshy _______ holds water inside the plant.

Spines protect the cactus from _______ that might eat the plants.

The stem’s waxy skin keeps water from escaping into the _____.

The cactus _______ builds its nest among the cactus spines.

Long _______ grow close to the top of the ground and spread wide around the plant. This helps the cactus collect _______ when it rains.

Cactus _______ bloom during certain times of the year.