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### **Building a Food Web Assignment**

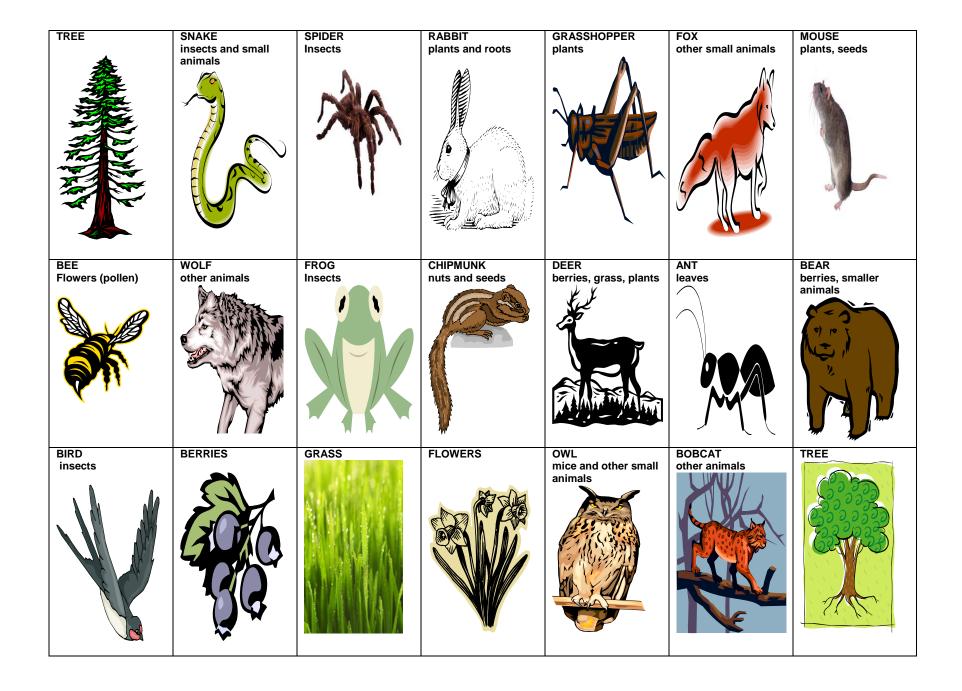
#### **Procedure**

- 1. Cut out the producer and consumer blocks from the attached page.
- 2. The sun is the source of energy in all food webs. In the middle of the background paper you have been given, draw a sun in pencil (in case you want to change the sun's position later).
- 3. Place your producer blocks next to the sun. Do not paste anything until all the organisms have been placed.
- 4. Place two or three animals around the producers. If one animal could eat another, join them with an arrow (use a pencil at this point). Remember that arrows represent the flow of energy from one organism to another and consequently must be drawn in the right direction.
- 5. Add the rest of the organisms and connect using arrows.
- 6. When your food web is complete and neatly arranged, paste the pictures to the paper and draw arrows with pen or marker to complete the web.

#### Discussion: Answer the Following questions in complete sentences on LINED paper.

- 1. Under EACH organism, list its niche. (P = producer, H = herbivore, O = omnivore, C = carnivore)
- 2. How many food chains did you produce in the forest food web? How many in the ocean food web?
- 3. Name TWO abiotic factors that would affect your food webs.
- 4. Diagram one food chain from each food web beginning with the sun and with arrows in the right direction.
- 5. Describe where the decomposers would fit into this food web.
- **6.** Which organisms in the food web were the most numerous (producers, primary consumers, secondary consumers)? Why?
- 7. Which organisms were the least numerous? Why?
- 8. What would happen to your food web community if:
  - a. all the producers died? Explain.
  - b. all the herbivores died? Explain.
  - c. the decomposers died? Explain.
- **9.** Considering your answers to question 7, which organisms are the most important in your food web? Explain your answer.

## **Forest Food Web**



# **Aquatic Food Web**

