

Ecosystem Scavenger Hunt

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<http://www.planetpals.com/foodchain.html>

1. An _____ is a living community which depends on each member and its surrounding environment.
2. The living part of an ecosystem is sometimes called a _____.
3. _____ are living things which take the non living matter from the environment, such as minerals and gases and uses them to support life.
4. _____ are considered producers, and they are at the beginning of the food chain.
5. _____ are living things that need the producers to be their food.
6. Animals who eat plants are called _____.
7. Animals who eat other animals are called _____.
8. Animals and people who eat both animals and plants are called _____.
9. _____ are the living things which feed off dead plants and animals and reduce their remains to minerals and gases again.

<http://www.factmonster.com/ipka/A0769052.html>

10. A _____ is a large ecosystem where plants, animals, insects, and people live in a certain type of climate
11. The _____ is a cold, vast, treeless area of low, swampy plains in the far north around the Arctic Ocean.
12. List three animals that thrive in the coniferous forest.
13. The _____ is a lively place, where oak, beech, ash, and maple trees are typical, and wildflowers, berries, and many types of insect and animal life abound.
14. A _____ is an area where little or no life exists because of a lack of water.
15. The lack of water and intense heat or cold makes this biome _____ to most life forms.
16. _____ are places with hot, dry climates that are perfect for growing food.
17. _____ are usually found in groups called chains or ranges.
18. A mountain biome is very _____ and _____.
19. _____ receive at least 70 inches of rain each year and have more species of plants and animals than any other biome.
20. List the three levels of a rain forest.
21. What are some things people have done to make the rainforest an endangered biome?

22. Every minute, approximately ____ _____ of rainforest are destroyed.

23. List three animals that live in the rain forest.

24. List three plant species that grow in the rain forest.

<http://library.thinkquest.org/11353/ecosystems.htm>

25. An ecosystem is much _____ than a biome.

<http://mbgnet.mobot.org/salt/oceans/index.htm>

26. What ecosystem is a self-containing world with a complex food chain and many organisms that have adapted to extreme and unusual conditions?

<http://www.epa.gov/espp/poster/>

27. TRUE OR FALSE Loss of a single species from its ecosystem does not affect others that rely on it.

28. Over _____ different species in the United States are listed as endangered or threatened.

Click on the picture of the ferret

29. Why did ferrets vanish when prairie dogs disappeared from the Great Plains?

Click on the picture of the crane.

30. Why has the whooping crane lost its winter nesting area?