

Food Chains





Key Words

consumer



producer



prey



predator





Producers are plants that make their own food.

Consumers are animals that eat food.

Which are consumers and which are producers?

rabbit



lettuce





lion



broccoli



mouse



Design Your Own Food Chain

All food chains start with a producer.

Arrows are used in a food chain to show who is eaten by who.

eaten by

energy flow

Check

Are the arrows going in the right direction? Does it have a producer?

Questions

Read the questions below, then use the answer buttons to reveal the answer.

1. What do all food chains start with?

Answer

2. Name a predator and its prey?

Answer

3. Are penguins the prey of polar bears?

Answer

4. Give an example of a consumer that makes honey.

Answer

Questions

5. Write down a food chain including a fox.

Answer

6. Name a producer eaten by a rabbit?

Answer

7. What do the arrows in a food chain show?

Answer

8. Can you name a consumer?

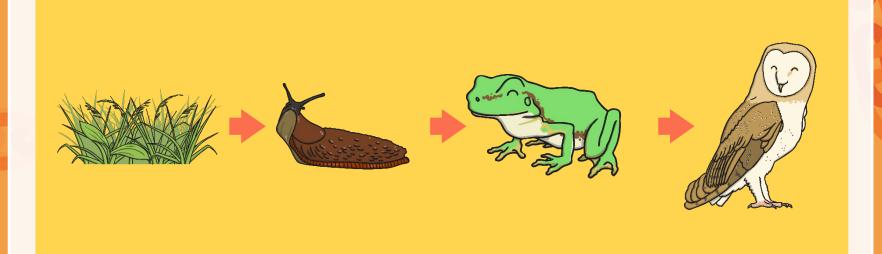
Answer

9. Can you name a producer?

Answer

Interpreting Food Chains





How is this food chain constructed?

What do the arrows represent?

How should we label the different parts of the food chain?

Match the words to the definitions



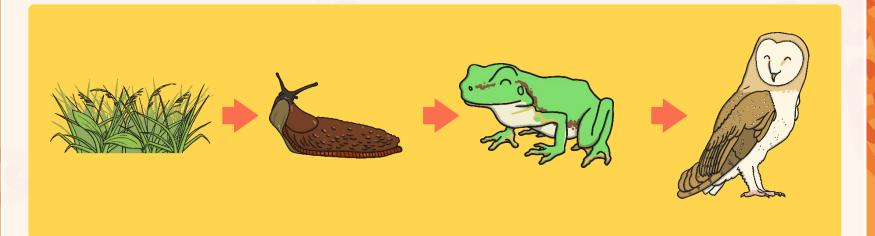
| Food Chain Vocabulary and Definition Cards | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Herbivores | A green plant that produces its own food | | | |
| Carnivores | An animals that eats plants and animals | | | |
| Omnivores | Eat plants and / or animals | | | |
| Producers | An animal that eats plants | | | |
| Consumers | Animals that predators feed on | | | |
| Predators | An animal that eats other animals | | | |
| Prey | Animals that kill for food | | | |

How did you do?



| Words | |
|----------------------|-----|
| Herbivores | |
| Carnivores | |
| Omnivores | |
| Detritivores | |
| Producers/Autotrophs | |
| Consumers | |
| Primary Consumer | |
| Secondary Consumer | |
| Tertiary Consumer | |
| Prey | |
| Scavenger | |
| Predators | |
| Decomposer | als |

Labelling Food Chains 1



Producer/Autotroph

Consumer

Consumer

Consumer

Primary Consumer Secondary Consumer Tertiary Consumer

Prey

Predator/Prey

Predator

Detritivore

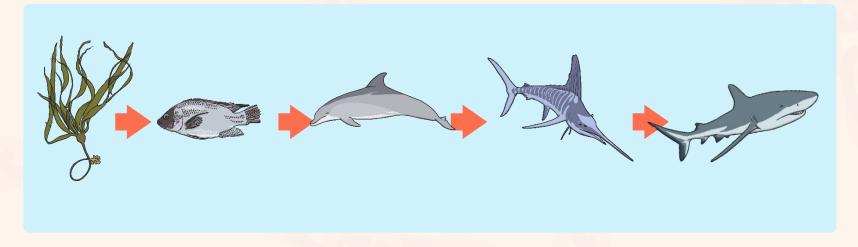
Omnivore

Carnivore

Labelling Food Chains 2

Here is a more complex example:

Herbivore



| Producer/ Atrotroph | Consumer | Consumer | Consumer | Consumer |
|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| | Primary Consumer | Secondary Consumer | Tertiary Consumer | Quaternary Consumer |
| | Prey | Predator/Prey | Predator/Prey | Predator/ Scavenger |

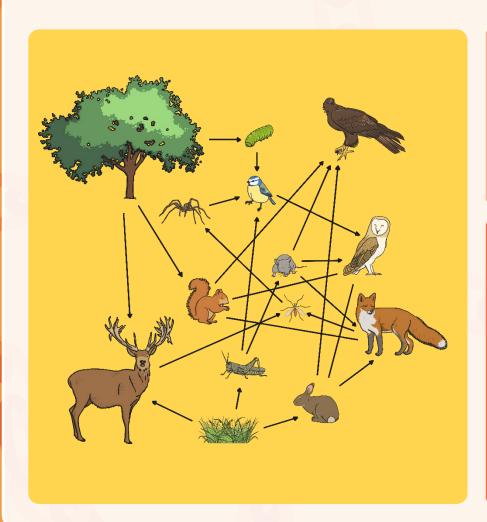
Carnivore

Carnivore

Carnivore

Interpreting Food Webs







How are food webs similar/different to food chains?

When would it be better to use a food chain?

When would a food web be better?

Food Chains Activity



