



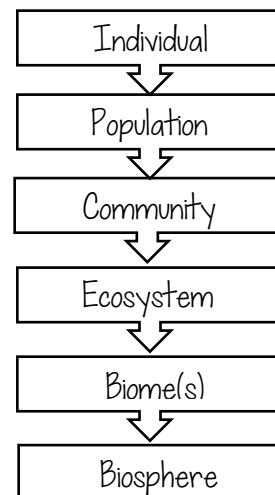
Ecology Study Guide



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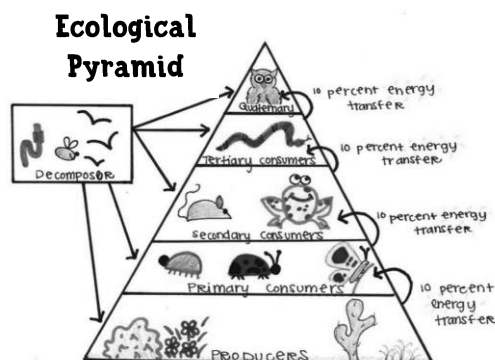
Ecological Hierarchy:

1. What is the **biosphere**? _____
2. What is a **biome**? _____
3. What are **two** things that define a biome? _____
4. What is an **ecosystem**? _____
 - a. What are **biotic** factors? _____
 - b. What are **abiotic** factors? _____
5. What is a **community**? _____
6. What is a **population**? _____
7. Know basic characteristics of all biomes. **Tundra vs. Desert & Tundra vs. Rain Forest**

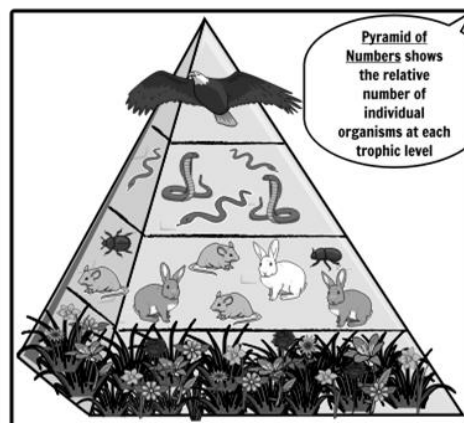
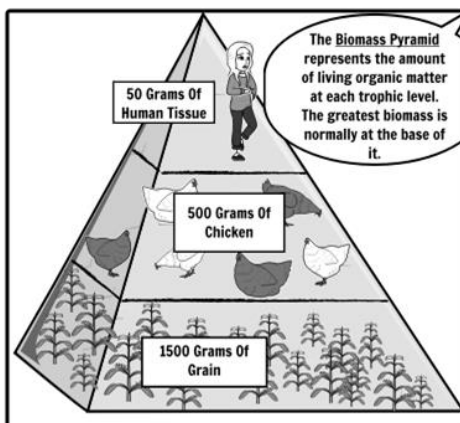
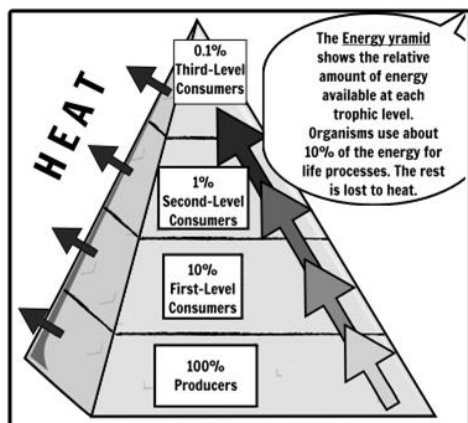


Introduction to Ecology:

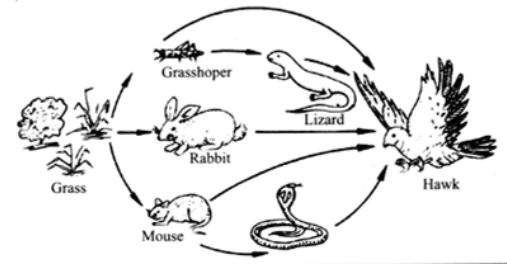
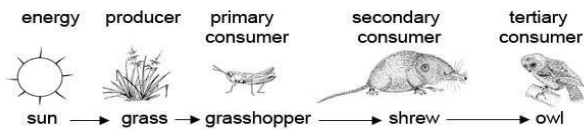
1. What are **autotrophs**? _____
 - a. Another name for autotrophs are? _____
 - b. Name a couple of examples. _____
2. What are **heterotrophs**? _____
 - a. Another name for heterotrophs are? _____
 - b. Name a couple of examples. _____
3. What are **trophic levels**? _____
4. What is an **ecological pyramid**? _____



5. Know the difference between an **Energy Pyramid**, **Biomass Pyramid**, & the **Pyramid of Numbers**.



6. What is a **food chain**? _____



7. What is a **food web**? _____

8. What is the **10% rule**? _____

9. What happens to the rest of the energy? _____

Symbiotic Relationships:

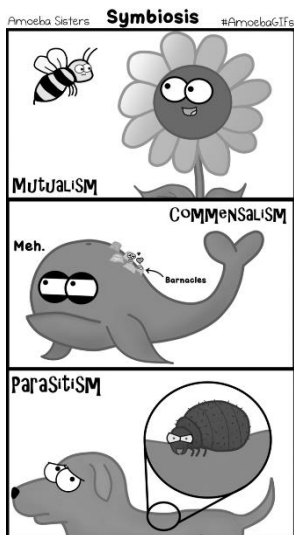
1. What is **symbiosis**? _____

2. What is **competition**? _____

a. Give an example: _____

3. What is **predation**? _____

a. Give an example: _____



4. What is **mutualism**? _____

Indicate in the boxes how the organisms benefit

Organism 1	Organism 2
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5. What is **commensalism**? _____

Indicate in the boxes how the organisms benefit

Organism 1	Organism 2
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6. What is **parasitism**? _____

Indicate in the boxes how the organisms benefit

Organism 1	Organism 2
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Ecological Succession:

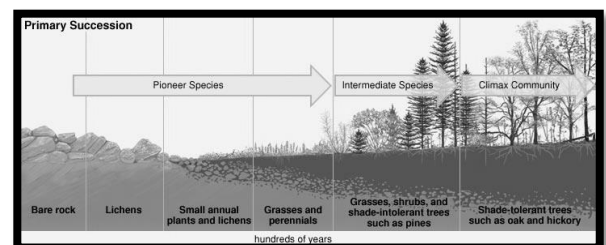
1. What is **succession**? _____

2. What is **Primary succession**? _____

a. What does it begin with? _____

b. What are **pioneer species**? _____

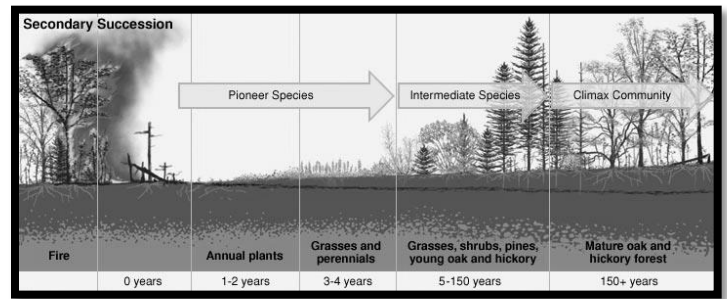
c. Give some examples of pioneer species: _____



3. What is **Secondary Succession**? _____

a. What is already established in secondary succession?

b. When is secondary succession happen?



Population Growth, Dispersion & Survivorship:

1. What is **population density**? _____

2. What are three factors define population growth? _____

3. How do you know when the population is growing? _____

4. What are **K species**? _____ Give an example: _____

5. What are **R species**? _____ Give an example: _____

6. What is **exponential growth**? _____

a. Is this a stable, sustainable growth? _____

b. What shape does this growth make? _____

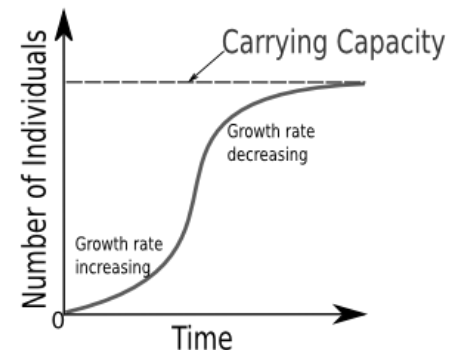
7. What is **logistical growth**? _____

a. Is this a stable, sustainable growth? _____

b. What shape does this growth make? _____

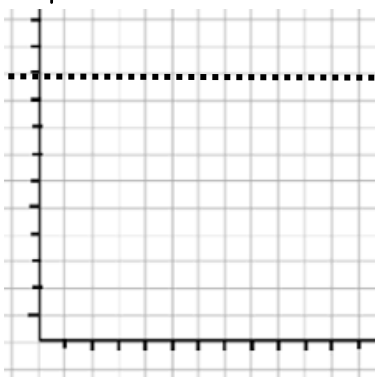
c. This growth will continue until what is met? _____

d. What is **carrying capacity**? _____

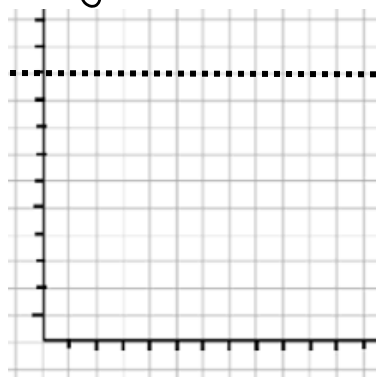


8. In the graphs to the below, draw what **exponential growth** and **logistic growth** look like.

Exponential Growth



Logistical Growth



9. What are **Density-Dependent** factors? _____

a. What do these factors include? _____



10. What are **Density-Independent** factors? _____

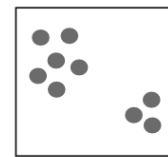
a. This characteristically causes what? _____

b. What factors do these include? _____

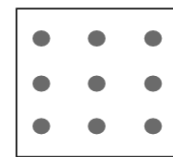
11. What is **population dispersion**? _____

12. What is **clumped dispersion**? _____

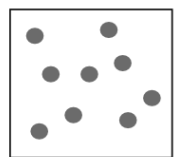
a. What is it good for? _____



Clumped



Uniform



Random

13. What is **uniform dispersion**? _____

a. What is this good for? _____

14. What is **random dispersion**? _____

a. How does this typically happen? _____

15. What are **survivorship curves**? _____

16. Write a few facts about **Type I Survivorship Curves**:

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

17. Write a few facts about **Type II Survivorship Curves**:

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

18. Write a few facts about **Type III Survivorship Curves**:

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

