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Carnivore	An animal that eats only other animals.
Competition	The struggle between organisms of the same species for limited resources.
Consumer	An organism that eats other organisms.
Decomposer	An organism that breaks down organic matter.
Detritivore	An organism that feeds on dead and decomposing matter.
Ecosystem	A biological community of organisms and their environment.
Food Chain	A series of organisms each dependent on the next as a source of food.
Food Web	The interconnected food chains within an ecosystem.
Herbivore	An animal that eats only plants.
Omnivore	An animal that eats both plants and animals.
Organism	A living thing.
Photosynthesis	The process by which plants convert energy from the sun into food.
Predator	An animal that hunts and eats other animals to survive.
Prey	An animal that is hunted and eaten by a predator.
Producer	An organism that makes its own food.
Scavenger	An animal that eats dead organisms.