Explore a Food Web

Food webs explain how everyone in an ecosystem gets energy, either from the sun like a plant, or from their food.

Keywords

Producer: organisms that use the sun for energy.
Primary consumer: organisms that eat producers.
Secondary consumer: organisms that eat primary consumers.
Tertiary consumer: organisms that eat secondary consumers.

Take a look at the food web on the next page and answer the following questions.

1. What is one primary producer in this food web?
2. What are two primary consumers in this food web?
3. What are two secondary consumers in this food web?
4. What are two tertiary consumers in this food web?

Now take a look outside. Food webs exist everywhere, in every ecosystem. Can you find any primary producers in your neighborhood? How about any primary consumers? Secondary consumers?

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