

Ecology: Vocabulary Worksheet

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Using your book or the USATestprep glossary, define these terms:

Parasite

Taiga

Community

Decomposer

Producer

Match the term on the left with its definition on the right.

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| ___ Permafrost | A. Water for a given biome. |
| ___ Precipitation | B. This is the permanently frozen stratum below the arctic tundra. |
| ___ Population Dynamics | C. This is a term used to describe a region between polar zones and the tropics with warm summers, cold winters and sufficient precipitation to support its species. |
| ___ Mutualism | D. This is a type of pollution associated with increases of water temperatures in a stream, lake, or ocean due to the discharge of heated water from industrial processes, such as the generation of electricity. |
| ___ Biogeochemical Cycle | E. This is one of the seven major biomes in which rainfall amounts are high and flora and fauna vary greatly; at least one-half of the world's species are contained in these and primary productivity is extremely high. |
| ___ Scavenger | F. This is the role of a species in an ecosystem, consisting of such things as what it eats, when it eats, and where it lives. |
| ___ Rain Forest | G. An animal that eats the dead remains and wastes of other animals and plants. |
| ___ Temperate | H. A pathway by which a chemical element or molecule moves through both biotic and abiotic compartments of an ecosystem. |
| ___ Niche | I. This is the way in which a species' population grows and shrinks over time. |
| ___ thermal pollution | J. This is the interaction of two organisms where both benefit. |