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ECOSYSTEM STRUCTURE VOCABULARY

Vocabulary Term	Definition	Example(s)
Abiotic		Terrain, climate, water
Atmosphere		Temp., sunlight, wind
Lithosphere		Soil, terrain, elevation
Hydrosphere		Fresh water, salt water
Biotic		Plants, animals microorganism
Producer (Autotroph)		Green plants, protist
Consumer (Heterotroph)		Animals
Decomposer		Fungi, some bacteria
Bacteria		E. coli,
Fungi		Mushrooms, mold
Detritus		Dead organisms
Herbivore		Rabbit, deer, cow
Carnivore		Lion, hawk, snake
Omnivore		Humans, bears
Scavenger		Vultures, crabs, crows
Predator		Hawk, lion
Prey		Mouse, rabbit
Parasite		Tick, tapeworm