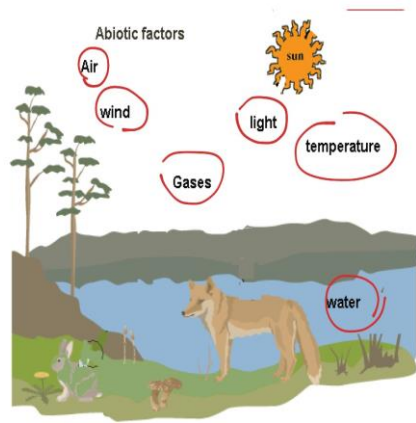


## Abiotic

Relating to non-living things.



## Biotic

Relating to living things.



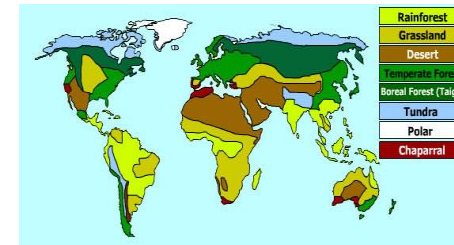
## Decomposer

An organism such as a bacterium or fungus, that breaks down dead tissue, which is then recycled.



## Global ecosystem

Very large ecological areas on the earth's surface (or biomes), Examples include tropical rainforest and hot desert.



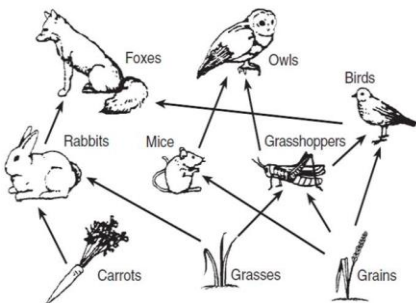
## Ecosystem

A community of plants and animals that interact with each other and their environment.



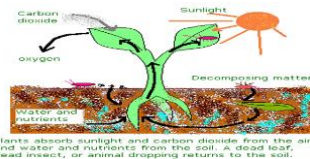
## Food web

A complex hierarchy of plants and animals relying on each other for food.



## Nutrient cycling

Organisms extract minerals necessary for growth from soil or water, before passing them on through the food chain - and ultimately back to the soil.



## Producer

An organism or plant that is able to absorb energy from the sun through photosynthesis.



## Consumer

Creature that eats animals and/or plant matter.



## Food chain

The connections between different organisms (plants and animals) that rely on one another as their source of food.

