

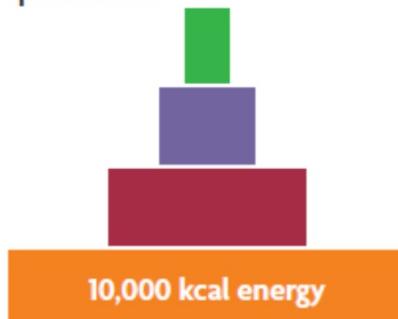
## **Kickoff (9/17/12):**

- 1. Get out your curriculum sheets that have the boxes to check for mastery.**
- 2. Go to my lab bench and pick up the standards for flow of matter and energy.**
- 3. Cut to fit and glue them to the bottom of your curriculum sheet.**
- 4. Update your curriculum sheet for the standards that have been taught/mastered.**
- 5. Return materials to lab bench and recycle any scrap paper.**

## Kickoff (9/18/14):

**Predict** In a pyramid of numbers, the highest organism has the smallest number of individuals in a community. What might happen if this organism increased its numbers significantly? Explain the effect this increase would have on the other members of the community.

Use the energy pyramid below to answer the following questions.

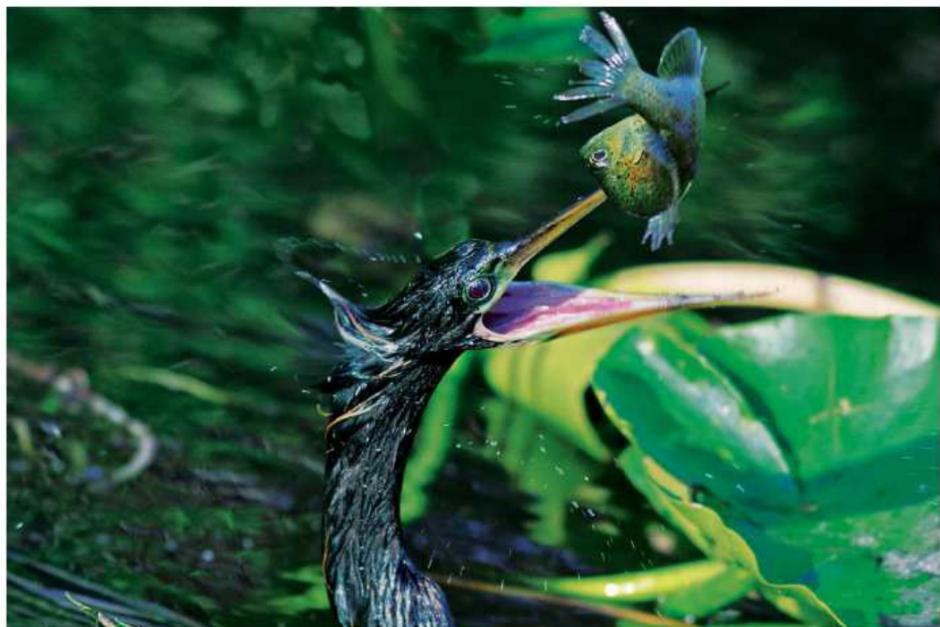


30. **Apply** Use the energy pyramid to describe the flow of energy within an ecosystem. Identify which tier represents producers, primary consumers, and so on.
31. **Calculate** If 90 percent of the energy is lost as heat between trophic levels, approximately how much energy is available to the secondary consumers in this energy pyramid? Show your calculations.

## 13.6 Pyramid Models

### KEY CONCEPT

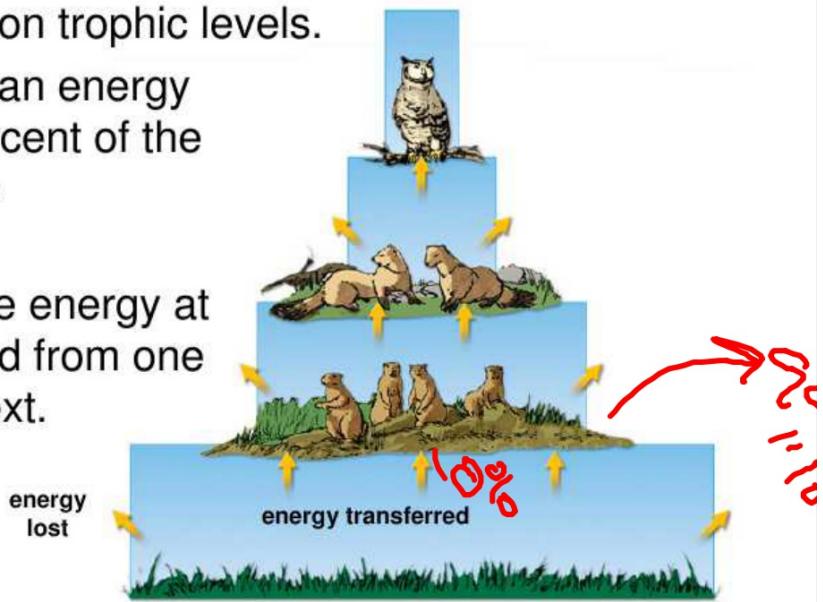
Pyramids model the distribution of energy and matter in an ecosystem.



## 13.6 Pyramid Models

- ▶ An energy pyramid shows the distribution of energy among trophic levels.

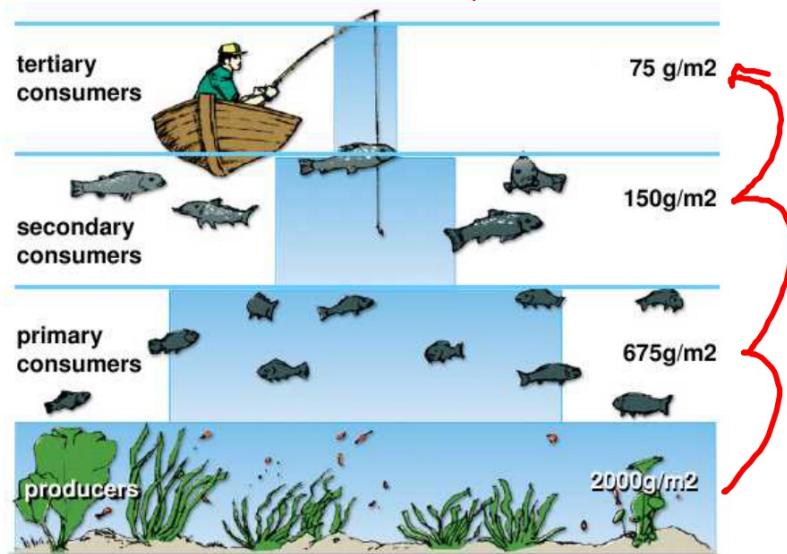
- Energy pyramids compare energy used by producers and other organisms on trophic levels.
- Between each tier of an energy pyramid, up to 90 percent of the energy is lost into the atmosphere as heat.
- Only 10 percent of the energy at each tier is transferred from one trophic level to the next.



## 13.6 Pyramid Models

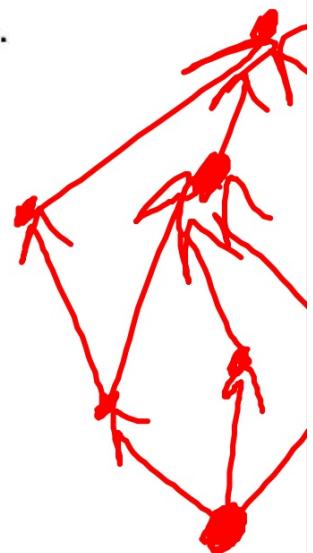
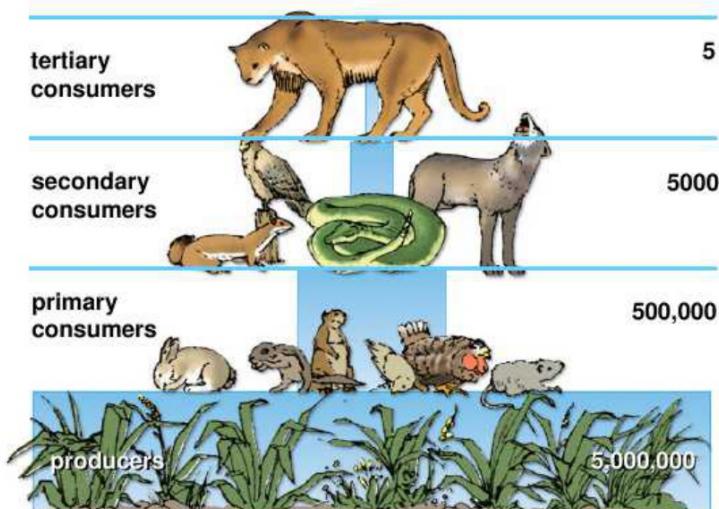
- Other pyramid models illustrate an ecosystem's biomass and distribution of organisms.

*Biomass - the amount of biological matter.*  
• Biomass is a measure of the total dry mass of organisms in *ecosystem*  
*g/dry wt*



## 13.6 Pyramid Models

- A pyramid of numbers shows the numbers of individual organisms at each trophic level in an ecosystem.



- A vast number of producers are required to support even a few top level consumers.

Key words

biomass

pyramid of energy (~10% rule)

pyramid of biomass

pyramid of numbers

Key concepts:

→ Energy is cycled

You are what you eat

→ 10% energy flow -

1. How does an **energy pyramid** help to describe energy flow in a food web?
2. What is the difference between a **biomass** pyramid and a pyramid of **numbers**?

- 3. Apply** How would you draw a pyramid of numbers for a dog with fleas? What shape would the pyramid take?
- 4. Calculate** If each level in a food chain typically loses 90 percent of the energy it takes in, and the producer level uses 1000 kcal of energy, how much of that energy is left after the third trophic level?

**5. Nutrition** Why is an herbivorous diet more energy efficient than a carnivorous diet? Explain your answer.

## **Pyramid Activity**

**Objective:** To create an energy pyramid and understand the cycling of energy through an ecosystem.

**1. Make a 5-trophic level pyramid with:  
15 bushes, 10 beetles, 5 frogs, 3 snakes, 1 hawk**

**2. Label with:**

**Autotrophs**

**Heterotrophs (primary, secondary or tertiary)**

**Label abiotic factors impacting ecosystem**

**Include numbers (population, biomass and energy)**

**3. Do two other biomes of your choice**

## Kickoff:

1. Explain the relationship between energy and matter it moves through an ecosystem.
2. How does this explain a pyramid of numbers and a pyramid of biomass?

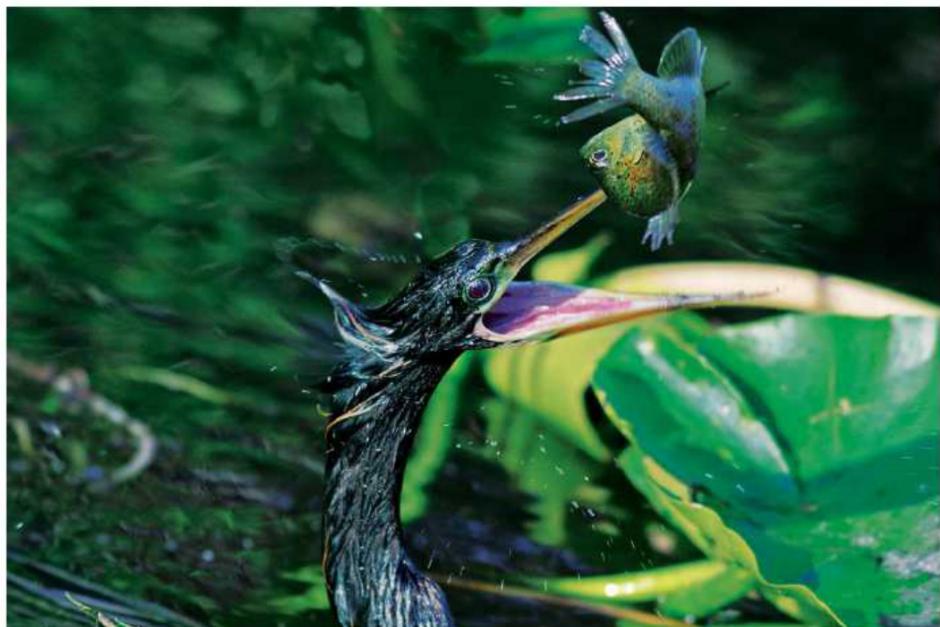
1. The table below lists the average amount of energy (in kilojoules per square meter of land per year) in different organisms that people use for food.

| Organism     | Energy (kJ/m <sup>2</sup> /year) | Ranking |
|--------------|----------------------------------|---------|
| Wheat cereal | 3400                             |         |
| Peanuts      | 3850                             |         |
| Rice         | 5200                             |         |
| Potatoes     | 6700                             |         |
| Carrots      | 3400                             |         |
| Apples       | 6300                             |         |
| Peaches      | 3800                             |         |
| Beet sugar   | 8300                             |         |
| Cane sugar   | 14,650                           |         |
| Corn         | 6700                             |         |
| Milk (cow)   | 1800                             |         |
| Chicken      | 800                              |         |
| Pork (pig)   | 800                              |         |
| Beef (cow)   | 550                              |         |
| Fish         | 8                                |         |

## 13.5 Cycling of Matter

### KEY CONCEPT

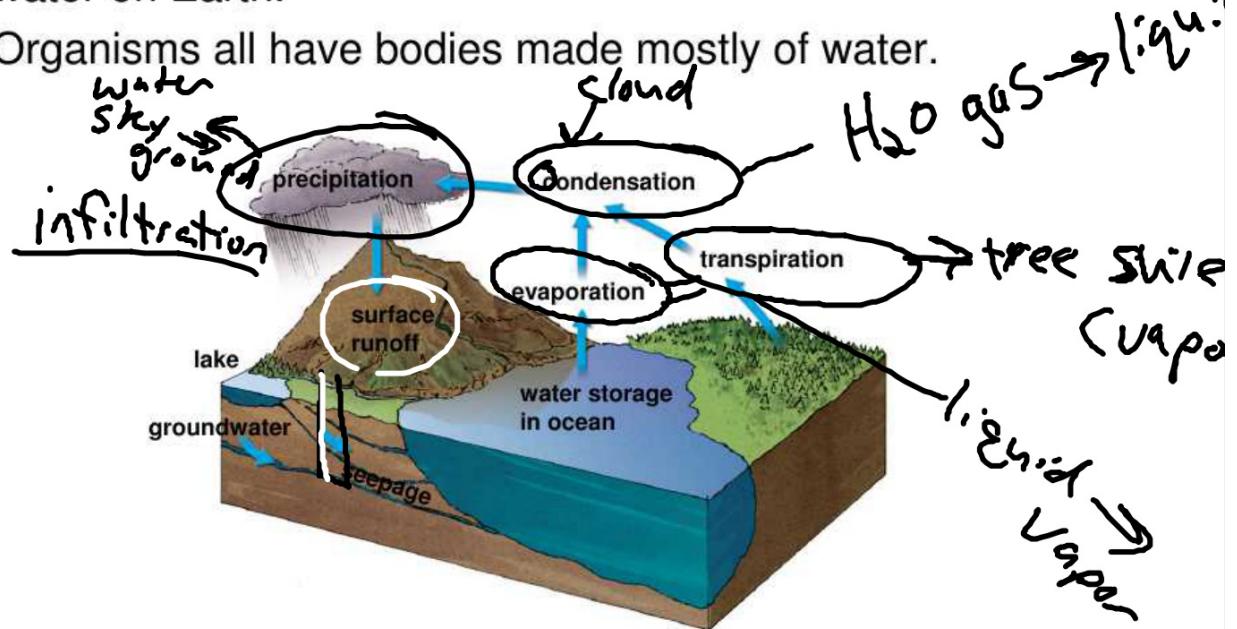
Matter cycles in and out of an ecosystem.



## 13.5 Cycling of Matter

### Water cycles through the environment.

- The hydrologic, or water, cycle is the circular pathway of water on Earth.
- Organisms all have bodies made mostly of water.



75% Earth has water

98% salty

2% fresh  
 $\frac{1}{16}$  potable  
"drinkable"

## 13.5 Cycling of Matter

- Elements essential for life also cycle through ecosystems.

- A biogeochemical cycle is the movement of a particular chemical through the biological and geological parts of an ecosystem.
- The main processes involved in the oxygen cycle are photosynthesis, ~~and~~ respiration, +

*Carbon*

*Combustion*

**photosynthesis** the process by

reactants  
inorganic

$6\text{CO}_2 + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
Carbon dioxide

## Photosynthesis

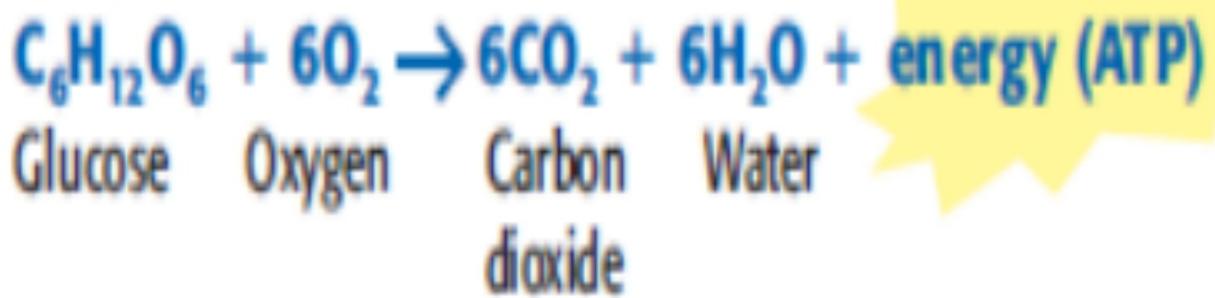
organic  
products

$\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6 + 6\text{O}_2$   
Glucose Oxygen

takes place in chloroplasts.  
Chloroplasts are found  
inside plant cells.

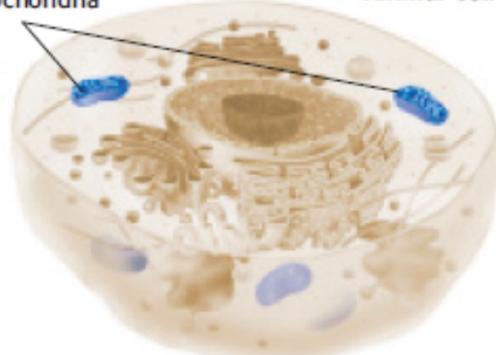


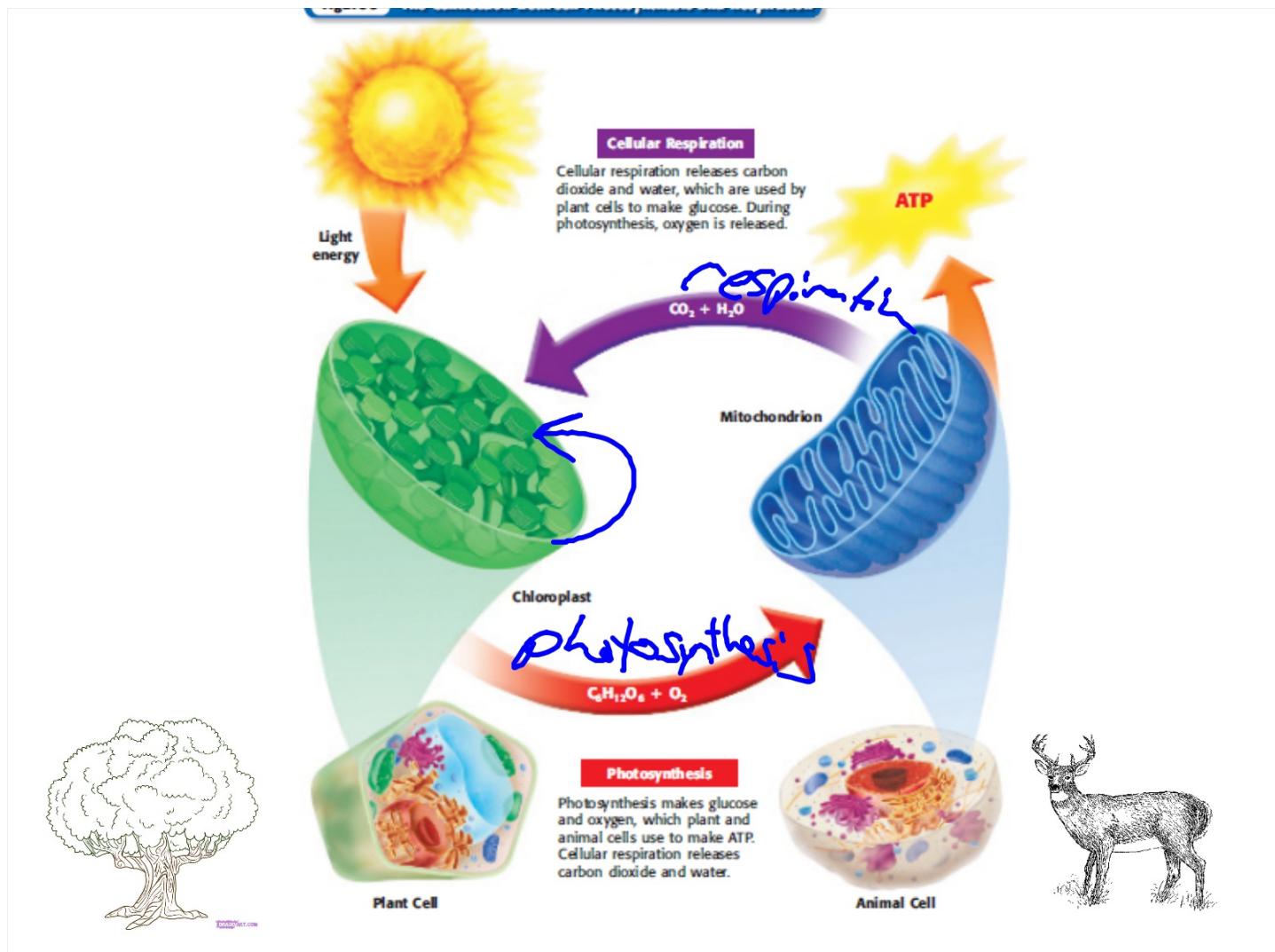
## Cellular Respiration



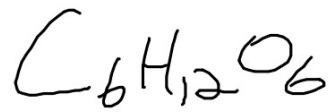
Mitochondria

Animal cell





Organic



amino acids (N)

Organic Phosphorous

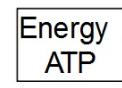
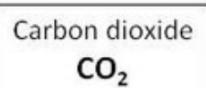
Inorganic



$\text{NH}_4^+$ ,  $\text{NO}_3^-$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$   
phosphate



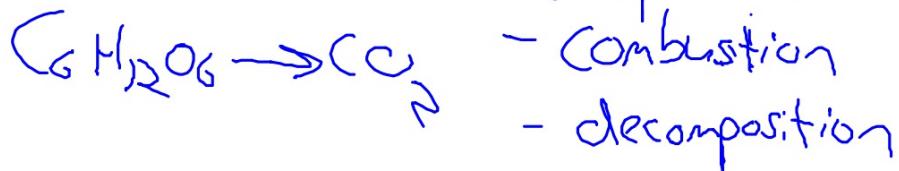
We breathe out Carbon  
Dioxide that trees use and  
trees give us Oxygen! Yay!

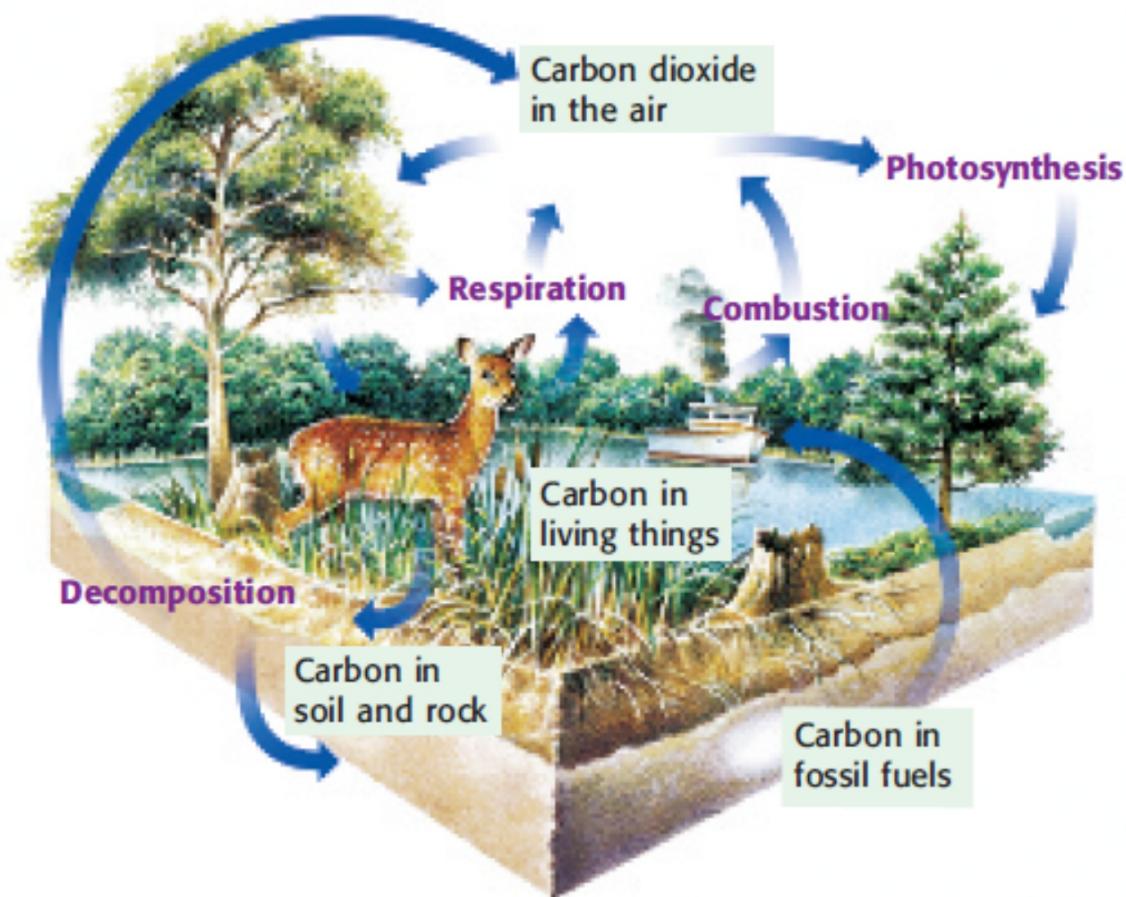


Kickoff (9/21/12):

What is one process that remove carbon from the atmosphere? photosynthesis  $6\text{CO}_2 \rightarrow \text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$

What are three processes that add carbon to the atmosphere?

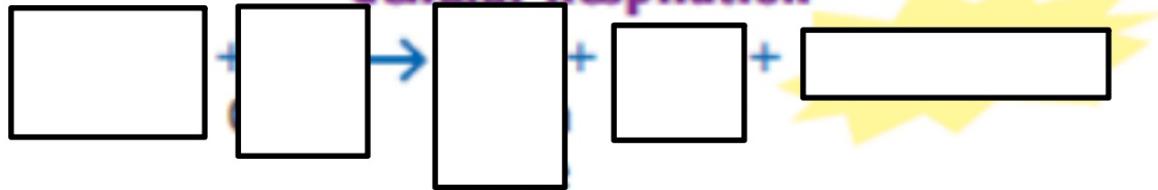




## Photosynthesis



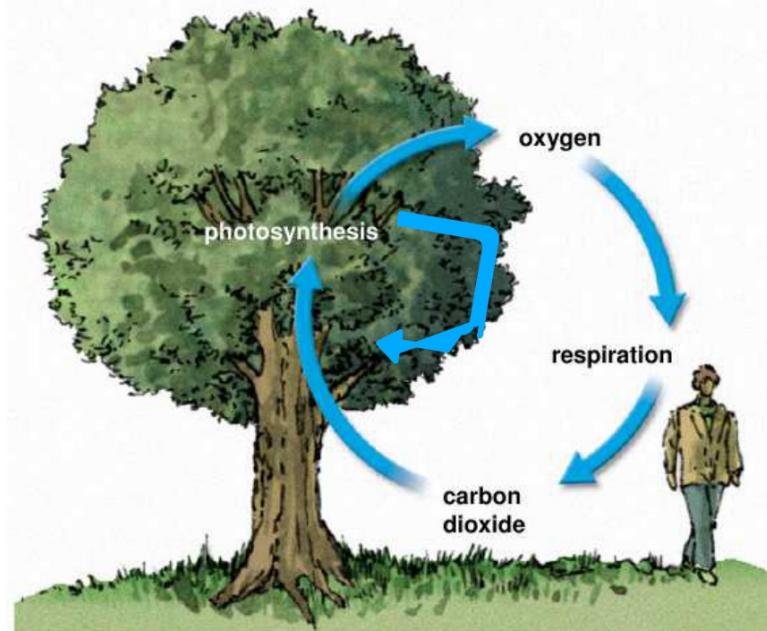
## Cellular Respiration



| <u>Symbol</u>                       | <u>term</u>                                       |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| $\text{H}_2\text{O}$                | water   |
| $\text{CO}_2$                       | carbon dioxide                                    |
| $\text{O}_2$                        | oxygen  |
| $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$ | glucose (sugar)                                   |
| ATP                                 | chemical energy<br>adenosine <u>tri</u> phosphate |

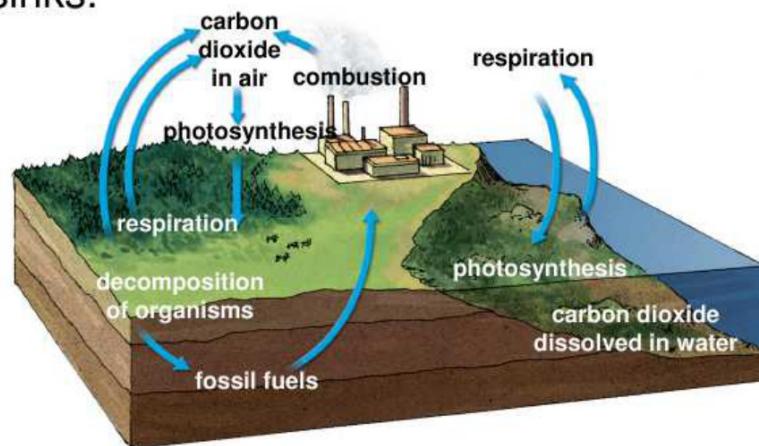
## 13.5 Cycling of Matter

- Oxygen cycles indirectly through an ecosystem by the cycling of other nutrients.



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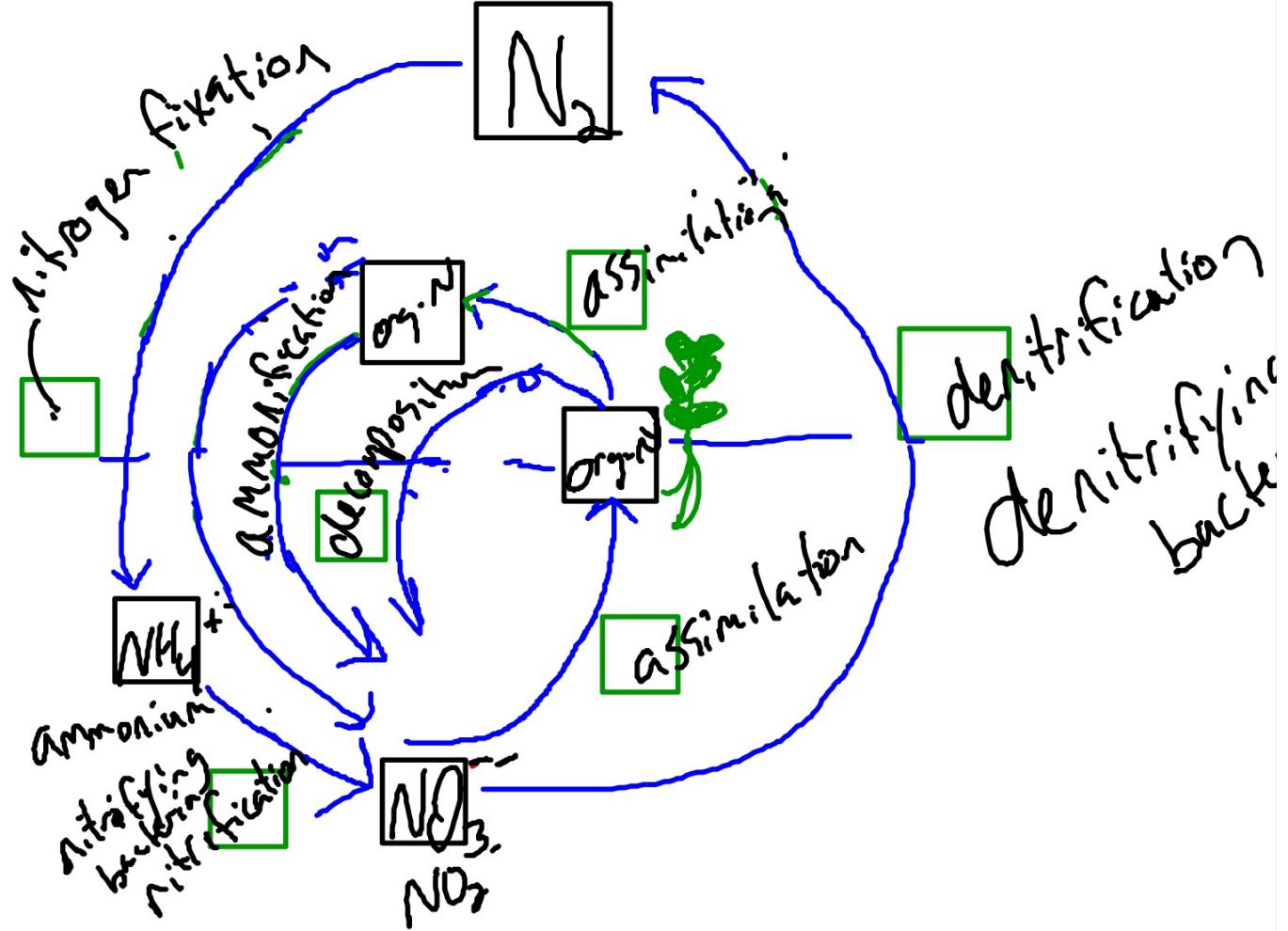
- Carbon is the building block of life.
  - The carbon cycle moves carbon from the atmosphere, through the food web, and returns to the atmosphere.
  - Carbon is emitted by the burning of fossil fuels.
  - Some carbon is stored for long periods of time in areas called carbon sinks.



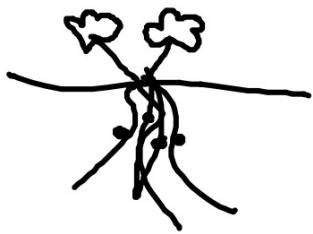
**Kickoff (9/23/14):**

**Why is nutrient cycling important through living systems?**

**Explain how the cycling of carbon is related to N cycling.**

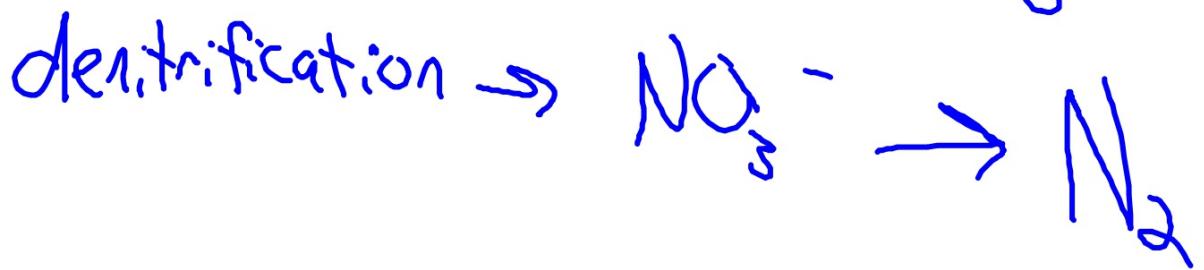
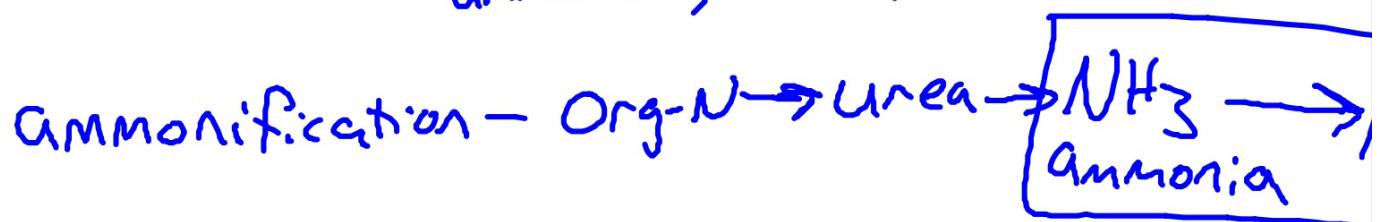
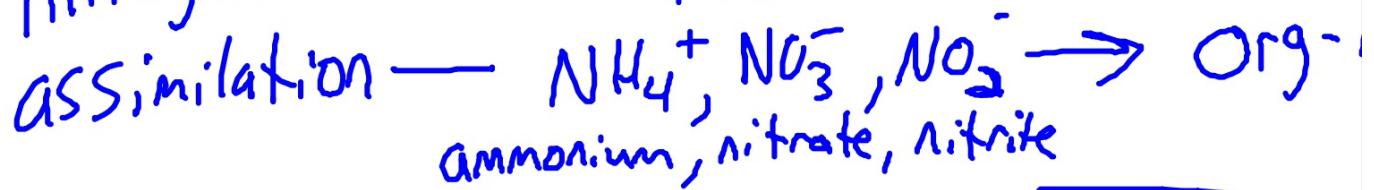


legume - plants that have a  
Symbiotic relationship  
with (NFB)



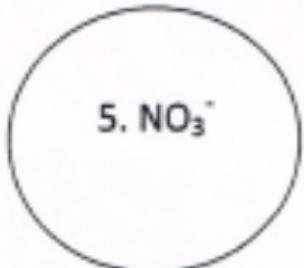
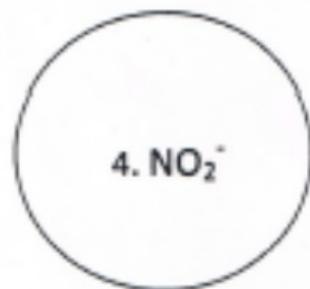
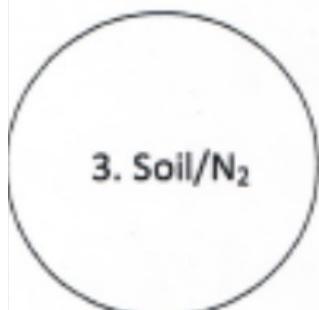
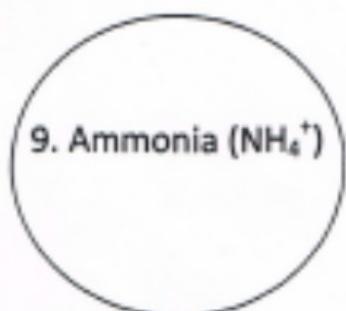
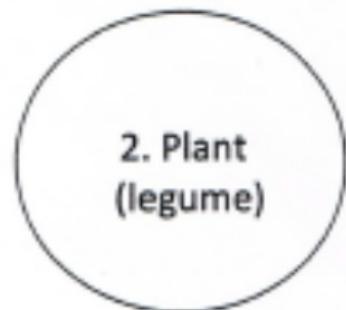
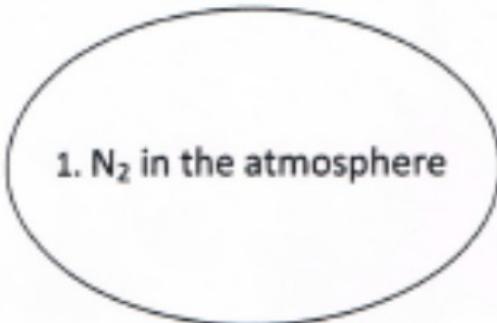






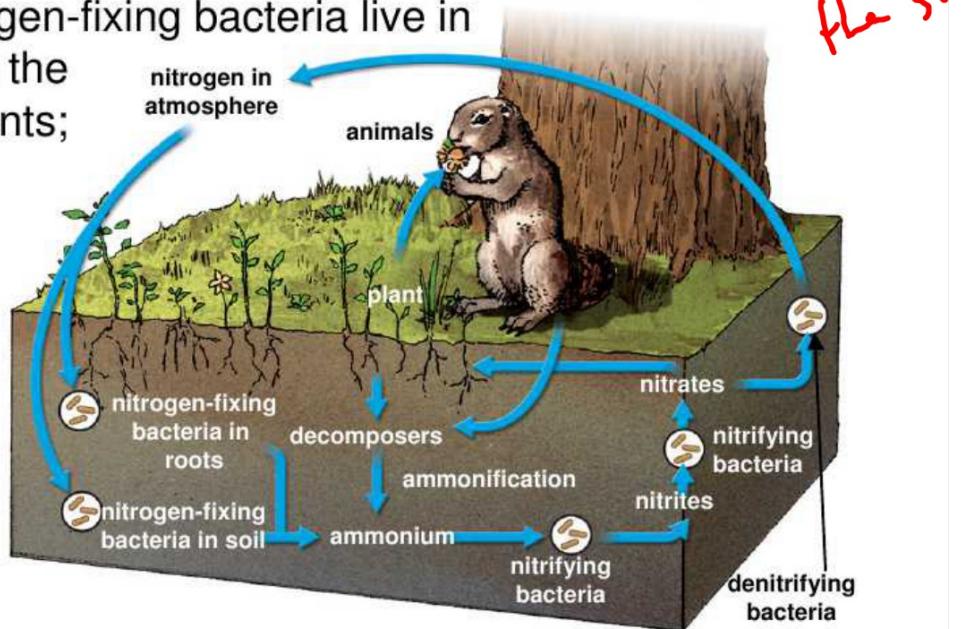
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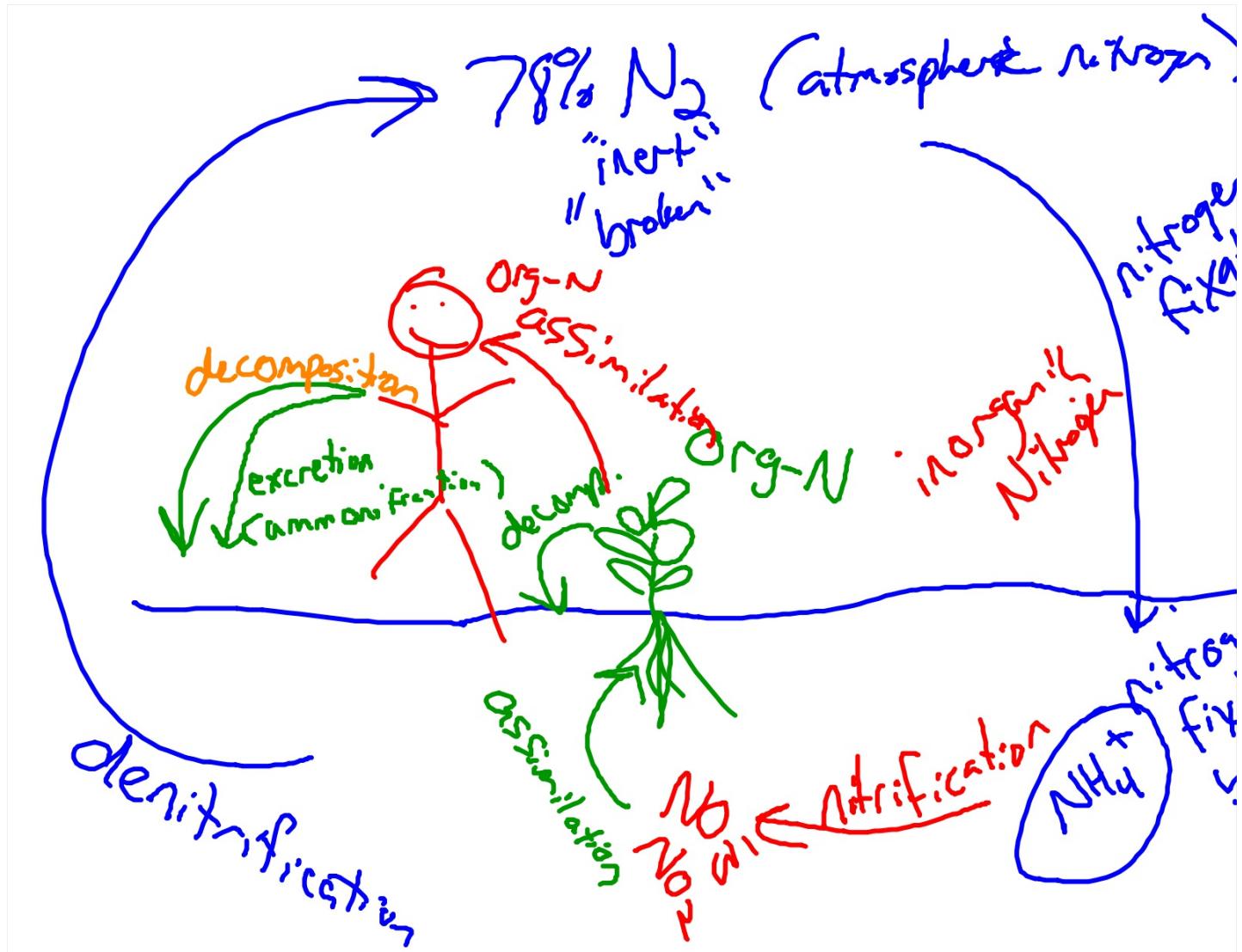
**NITROGEN CYCLE GAME BOARD**



## 13.5 Cycling of Matter

- The nitrogen cycle mostly takes place underground.
  - Some bacteria convert gaseous nitrogen into ammonia through a process called nitrogen fixation.
  - Some nitrogen-fixing bacteria live in nodules on the roots of plants; others live freely in the soil.





Nitrogen fixation - a process by which nitrogen fixing bacteria convert atmospheric nitrogen to a form plants can use ( $\text{NO}_3^-$ ,  $\text{NO}_2^-$ ,  $\text{NH}_4^+$ )

$\text{NO}_3^-$  nitrate  
 $\text{NO}_2^-$   
 $\text{NH}_4^+$  ammonium

ASSimilation - where ~~plants~~<sup>organism</sup> take up  
inorganic nitrogen ( $\text{NH}_4^+$ ,  $\text{NO}_2^-$ ,  $\text{NO}_3^-$ )  
incorporate it into  $\text{NH}_3$   
its own biomass (organic)

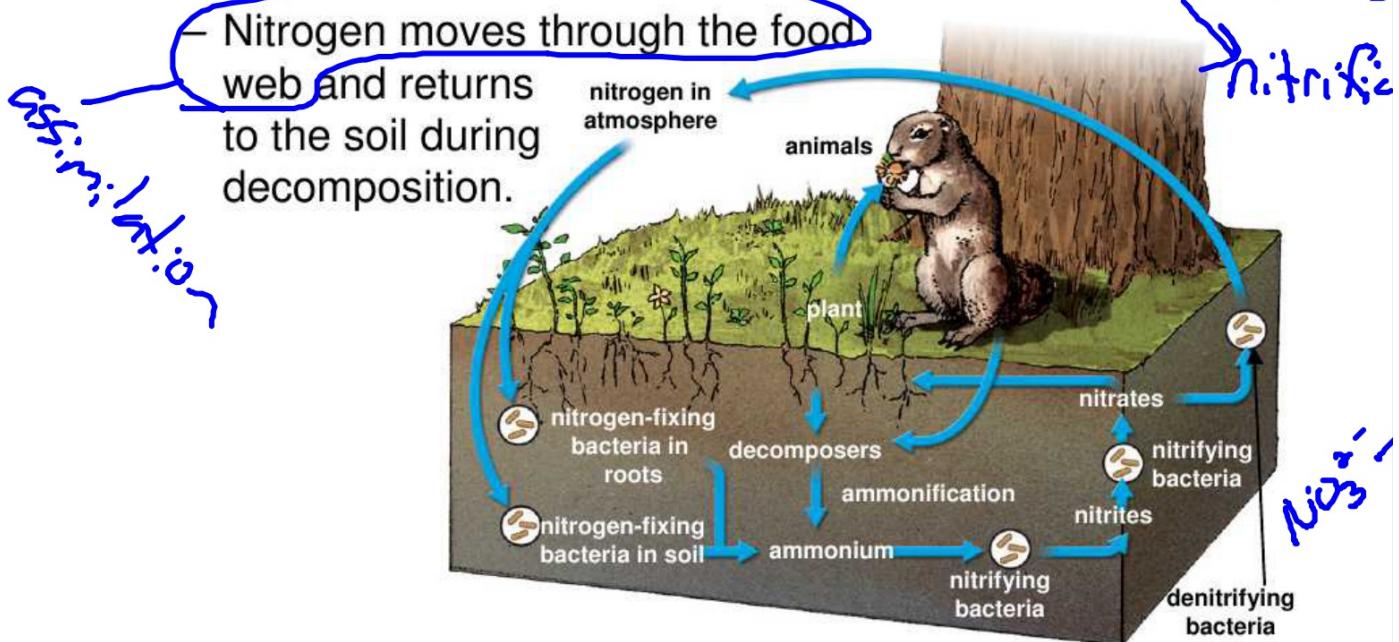
org-N  
urea →  
ammonia  $\text{NH}_3$  (amino acids → proteins  
DNA)

denitrification  
~~nitrification~~  
~~ammonification~~

## 13.5 Cycling of Matter

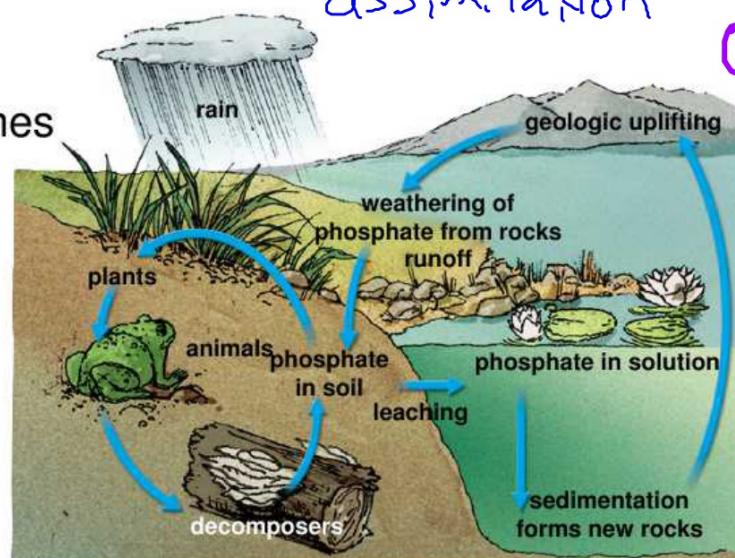
$\text{NH}_3$

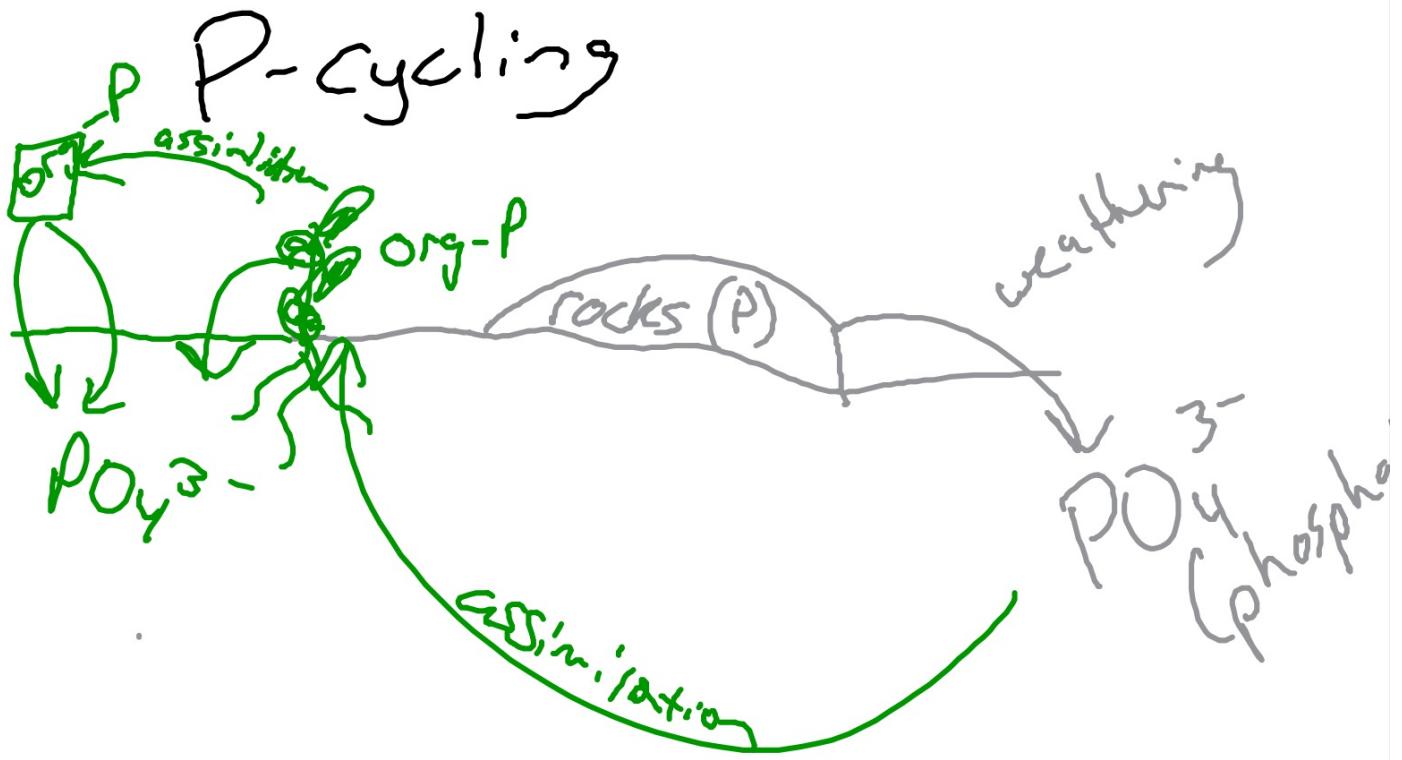
- Ammonia released into the soil is transformed into ammonium. ( $\text{NH}_4^+$ ) - **Ammonification**
- Nitrifying bacteria change the ammonium into nitrate. ( $\text{NO}_3^-$ ) - **Nitrification**
- Nitrogen moves through the food web and returns to the soil during decomposition.



## 13.5 Cycling of Matter

- The phosphorus cycle takes place at and below ground level.
    - Phosphate is released by the weathering of rocks
    - Phosphorus moves through the food web and returns to the soil during decomposition.
    - Phosphorus leaches into groundwater from the soil and is locked in sediments.
    - Both mining and agriculture add phosphorus into the environment.
- Org-P      inorganic  $\rightarrow \text{PO}_4^{3-}$       ASSimilation      org





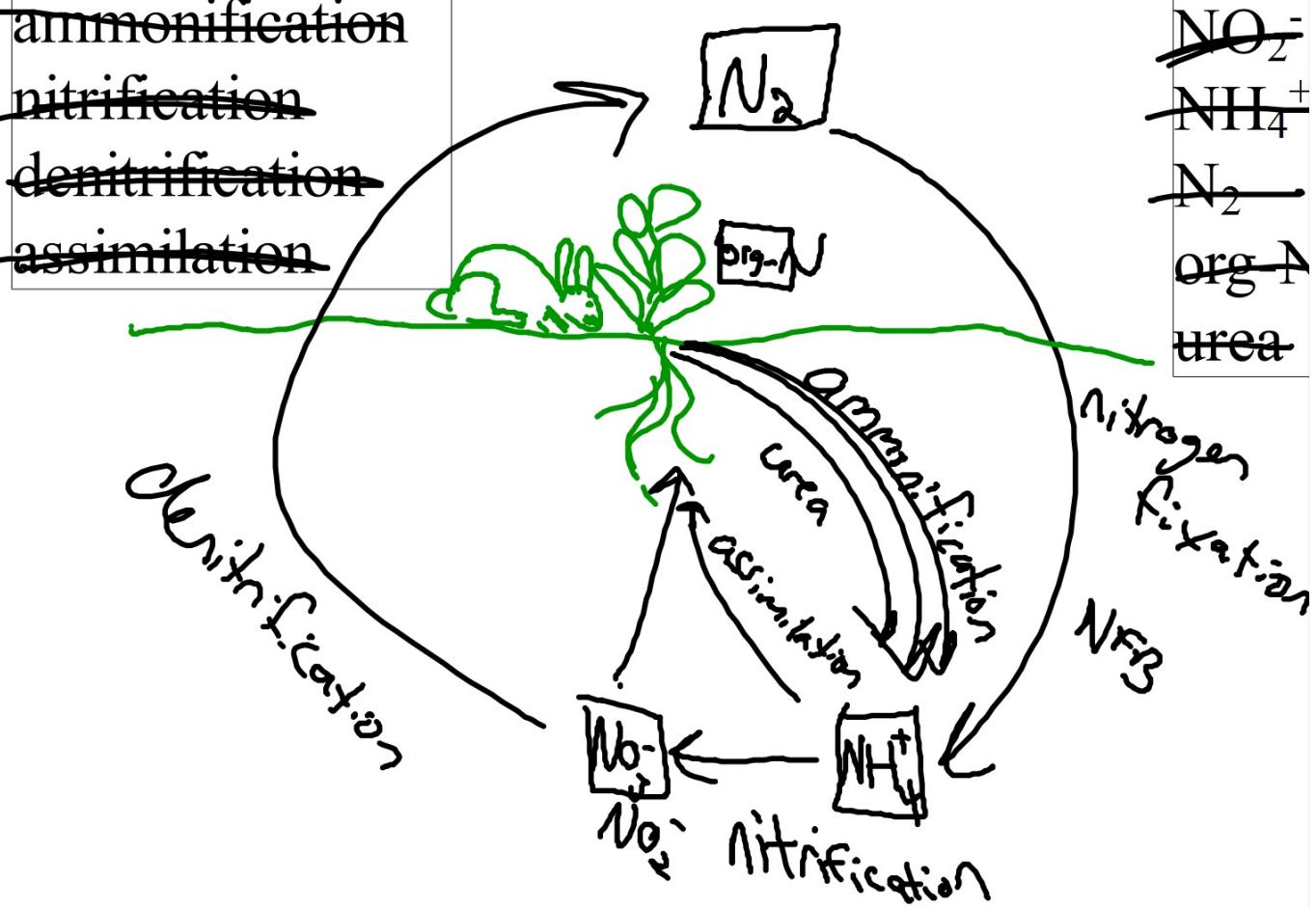
## **Kickoff:**

In 1934, Alfred Redfield analyzed thousands of marine organisms and discovered that the relative ratio of carbon to nitrogen to phosphorous was relatively constant at 106:16:1. This was referred to as the Redfield ratio.

1. Which of the nutrients is most limiting in the Redfield ratio??
  - a) Predict what it would look like if  $N:P > 20$ .
  - b) What if  $N:P < 10$ ?
2. What are two ways that nitrate can be moved through the nitrogen cycle?

~~nitrogen fixation~~  
~~ammonification~~  
~~nitrification~~  
~~denitrification~~  
~~assimilation~~

~~NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>~~  
~~NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>~~  
~~NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>~~  
~~N<sub>2</sub>~~  
org →  
urea

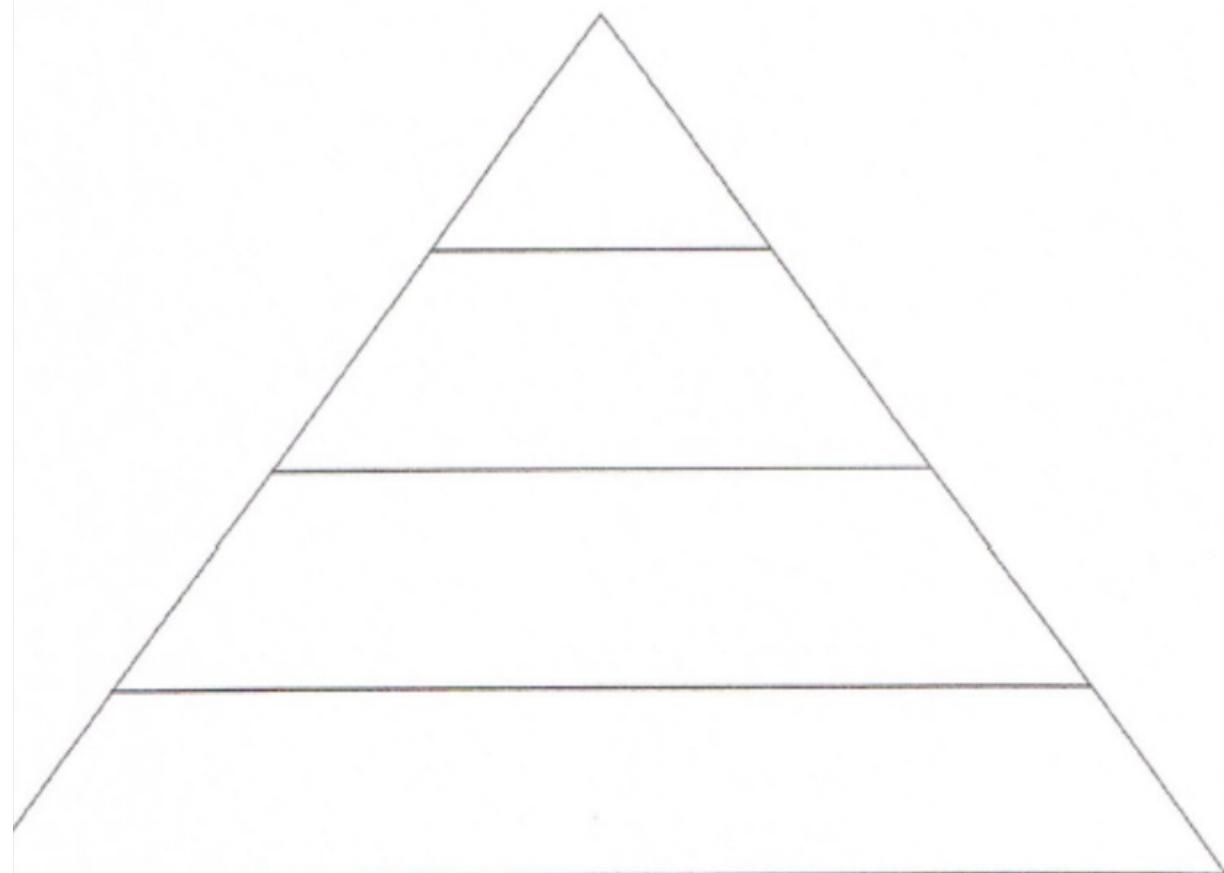


ure of the total dry mass of organisms in a given area is called \_\_\_\_\_.

consumer incorporates the biomass of a producer into its own bi-

energy is lost as \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

four tiers of the energy pyramid with the correct trophic level  
consumers, secondary consumers, tertiary consumers).

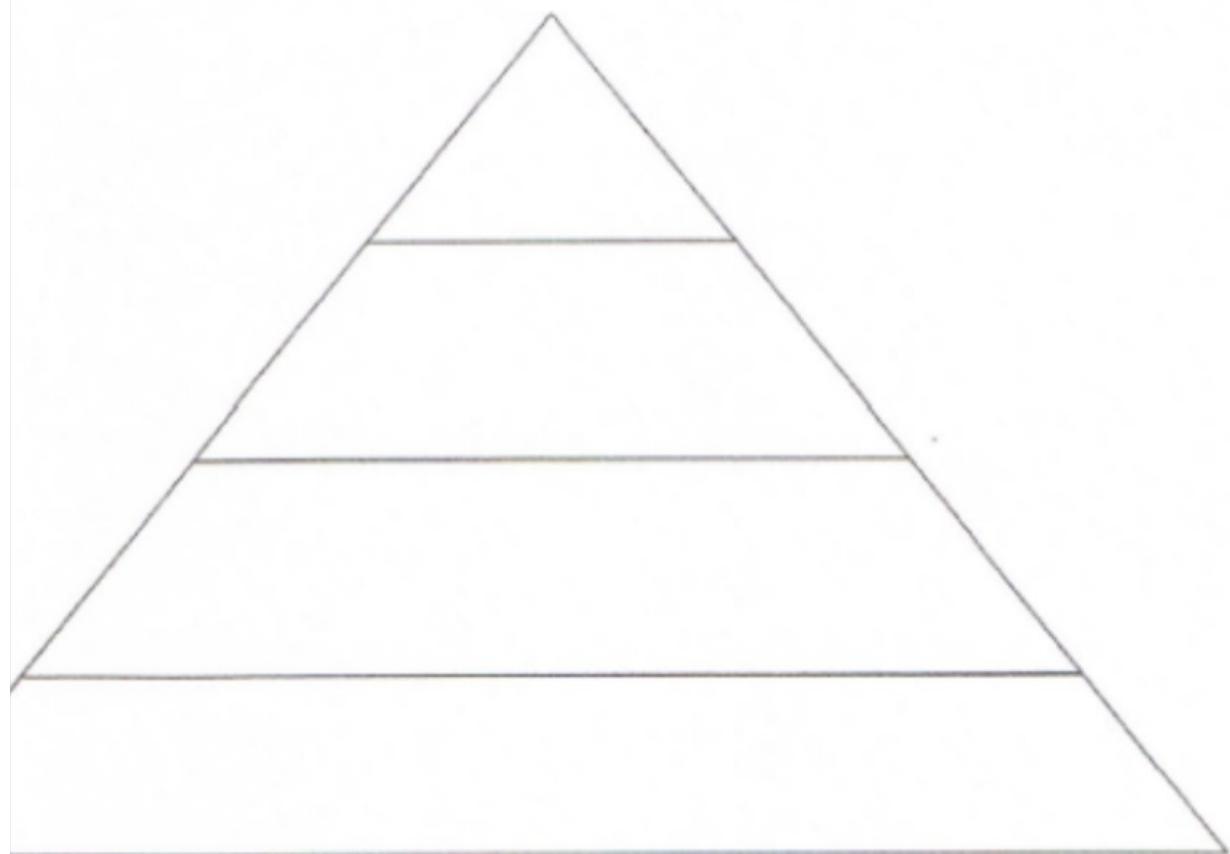


**Other pyramid models illustrate an ecosystem's biomass and of organisms.**

option of each pyramid model.

|                    | Description |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Energy pyramid     |             |
| Biomass pyramid    |             |
| Pyramid of numbers |             |

energy pyramid of your meal last night.



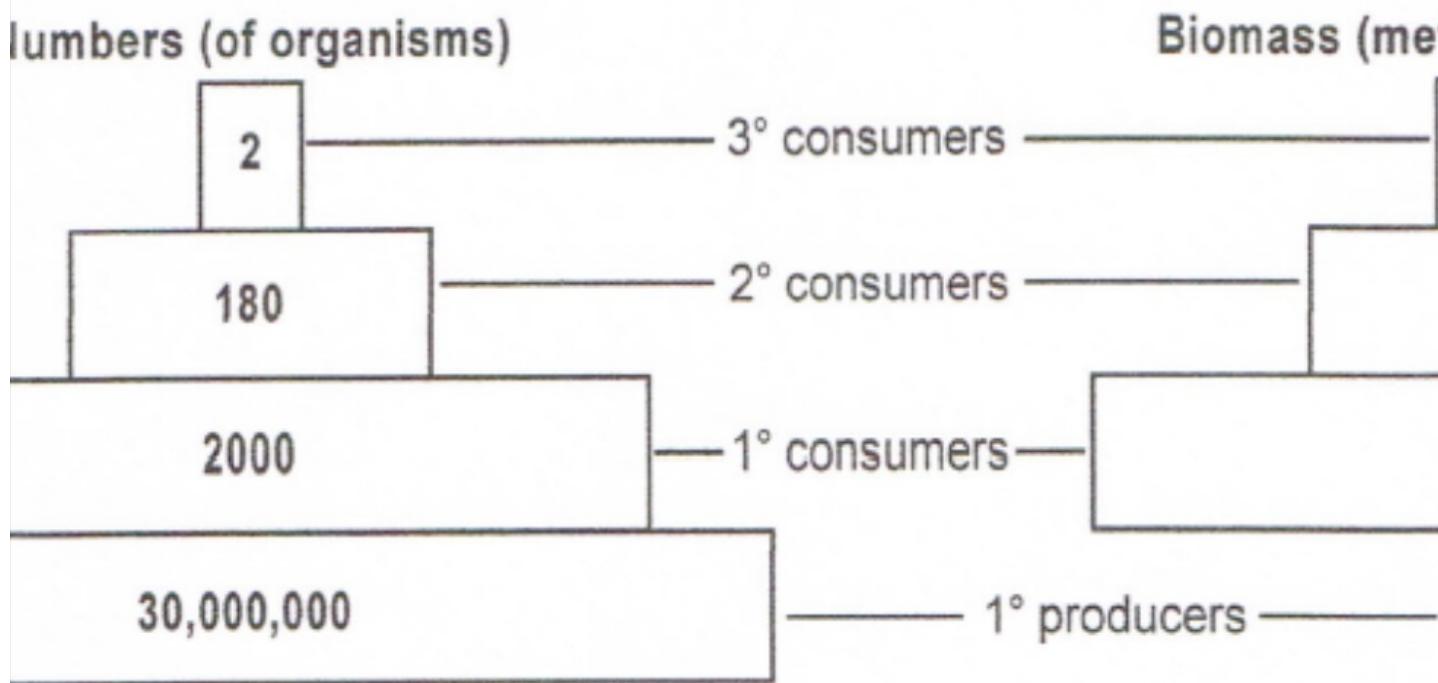
diverse and productive ecosystems on Earth is the coral reef. While coral reefs occupy less than one percent of the ocean floor, the fish we consume and are home to more than a third of all marine species.

## REEF FOOD WEB

Figure 13.11 on page 410, even a simplified coral reef food web shows the complexity of the ecosystem. At the base are the corals and zooxanthellae—symbiotic algae that live within coral polyps, performing photosynthesis and converting sunlight into energy that is then taken up, in part, by primary consumers such as sponges, corals, fish, sea turtles, and zooplankton. These are then consumed by secondary ( $2^{\circ}$ ) consumers, which are in turn consumed by tertiary ( $3^{\circ}$ ), and so on. There are multiple levels, and the variable depends on what they eat. For example, a tiger shark that feeds on a grouper might in that instance be a quaternary ( $4^{\circ}$ ) consumer if the grouper had eaten some phytoplankton. A few days later, the tiger shark may have eaten a lionfish, making it a primary consumer, thereby making itself a secondary consumer.

## L PYRAMIDS

shifting nature of this complex food web, some coral reef ecologists focus not just on individual species but on families or groups of organisms to determine the trophic levels in the reef. For example, scientists might assign all consumers into three groups: primary, secondary, and tertiary. After extensive field work to gather data, the scientist can draw pyramids of biomass or numbers that make it easier to “see” the ecosystem.



This pyramid represents a hierarchy of feeding relationships in which the organisms at the base support smaller numbers or masses of organisms above them. Pyramids are often drawn in a general, symbolic way. For example, if the pyramid were drawn proportionally starting from the top level as shown, the bottom level could end up being larger than your school. And if it were drawn starting from the bottom level as shown, the top level would be microscopic.

pyramid may also be skewed by the amount of time in which data was spans of the organisms. In the biomass pyramid shown, the producer 1 cause at any given moment the mass of phytoplankton is small. Because produce very quickly, their biomass over time is enough to sustain the analogous to the mass of food in your kitchen. On any given day it is your family's mass, but over the course of a year—not to mention you of food is many times larger than the human biomass in your kitchen

Biomass of Fish in the Two Groups of Hawaiian Islands (metric tons)

|      | Island                | 1° Consumers | 2° Consumers | 3° Consumers |
|------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| NWHI | French Frigate Shoals | 0.6          | 0.3          | 1.7          |
|      | Gardner               | 1.6          | 1            | 1.3          |
|      | Kure                  | 0.6          | 0.4          | 0.3          |
|      | Laysan                | 0.7          | 0.2          | 1.2          |
|      | Lisianski             | 0.7          | 0.2          | 1.8          |
|      | Maro                  | 0.7          | 0.3          | 0.7          |
|      | Neckar                | 0.4          | 0.3          | 0.7          |
|      | Nihoa                 | 1.6          | 0.6          | 0.6          |
|      | Pearl & Hermes        | 0.3          | 0.6          | 3.8          |
| MHI  | Hawai'i               | 0.4          | 0.2          | 0.1          |
|      | Kauai                 | 0.2          | 0.2          | 0            |
|      | Maui                  | 0.5          | 0.4          | 0.1          |
|      | Molokai               | 0.3          | 0.2          | 0            |
|      | Oahu                  | 0.3          | 0.3          | 0            |

wing questions on a separate piece of paper.

the structure of the two island groups' ecosystems. First, calculate biomass in each trophic level for each island group. Then use these data to draw pyramids on graph paper. Draw the pyramids so that the levels are proportional. (Hint: Draw the smallest level first.)

What do the pyramids reveal about the differences between the island groups?

Given that there are very few humans live in the NWHI, what might be responsible for the difference in biomass between the two island groups?

Given that the biomass of 2<sup>o</sup> consumers support a much larger 3<sup>o</sup> consumers, consider the life spans of organisms in these levels, as well as the role of top level consumers.

## **Water cycles through the environment.**

With a description of each process that describes how water moves through the hydrologic cycle.

|              | <b>Description</b> |
|--------------|--------------------|
| Evaporation  |                    |
| Condensation |                    |
| Rainfall     |                    |
| Runoff       |                    |

**Elements essential for life also cycle through ecosystems.**

Animals, and most other organisms need \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

is released as a waste product by plants during the process  
\_\_\_\_\_. Animals takes in this oxygen and release it  
\_\_\_\_\_ during the process of \_\_\_\_\_.

In the carbon cycle, plants use energy from the Sun to convert \_\_\_\_\_  
air into organic material that becomes a part of the plant's structure.

ased to the atmosphere as carbon dioxide when you breathe during \_\_\_\_\_ or through the \_\_\_\_\_ of dead \_\_\_\_\_, or the burning of fossil fuels, also adds carbon dioxide to the \_\_\_\_\_.

gen fixation?

that occur during the phosphorus cycle.

hydrologic cycle (evaporation, condensation, precipitation, runoff, transpiration, infiltration):

Carbon cycle (photosynthesis, respiration, combustion, decomposition)

Nitrogen cycle (nitrogen fixation, denitrification, nitrification, ammonification, assimilation)

Phosphorus cycle:

## SECTION

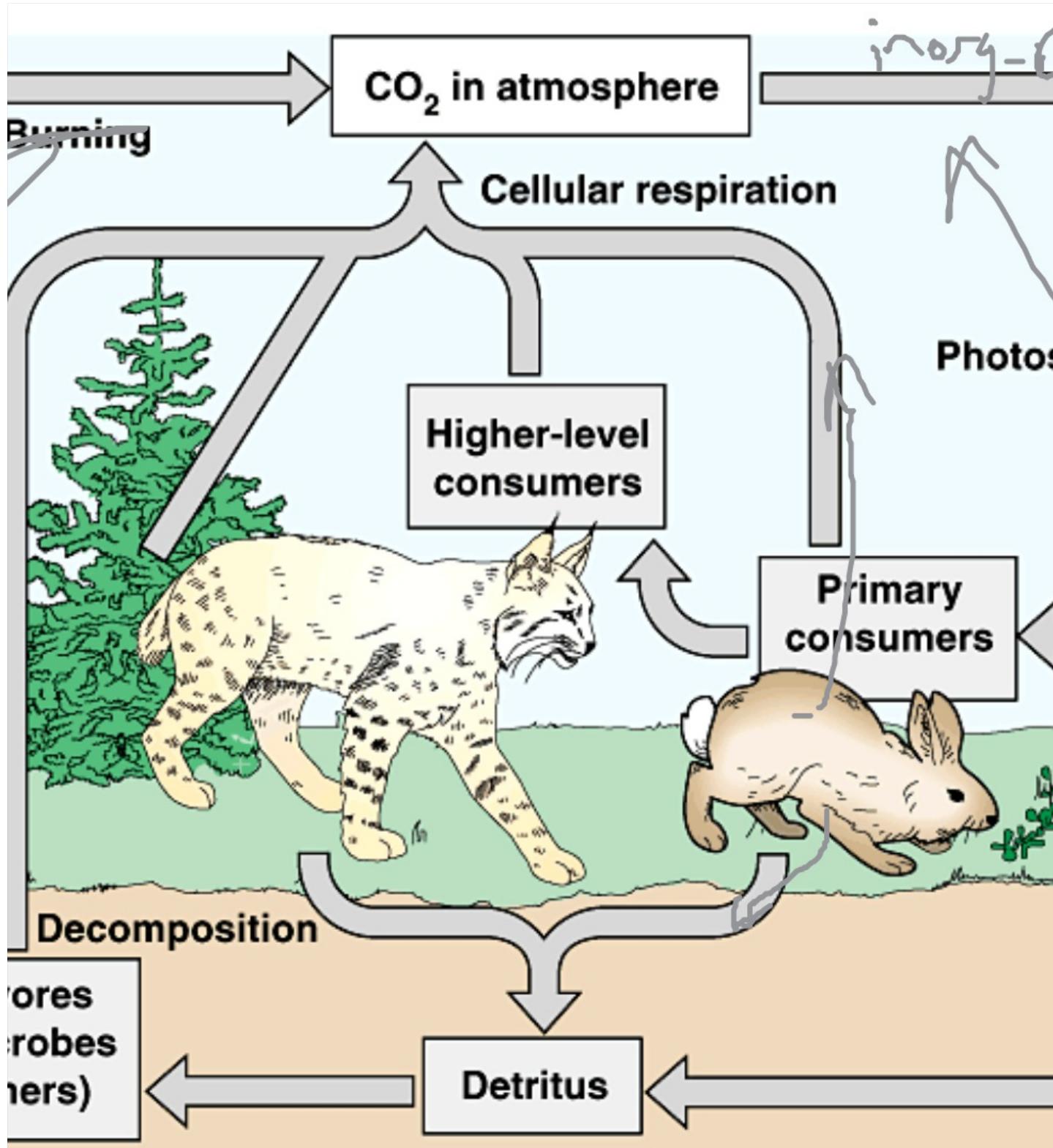
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## CYCLING OF MATTER

Biogeochemical Cycles: In each box, illustrate the following cycles including each of the terms in parentheses.

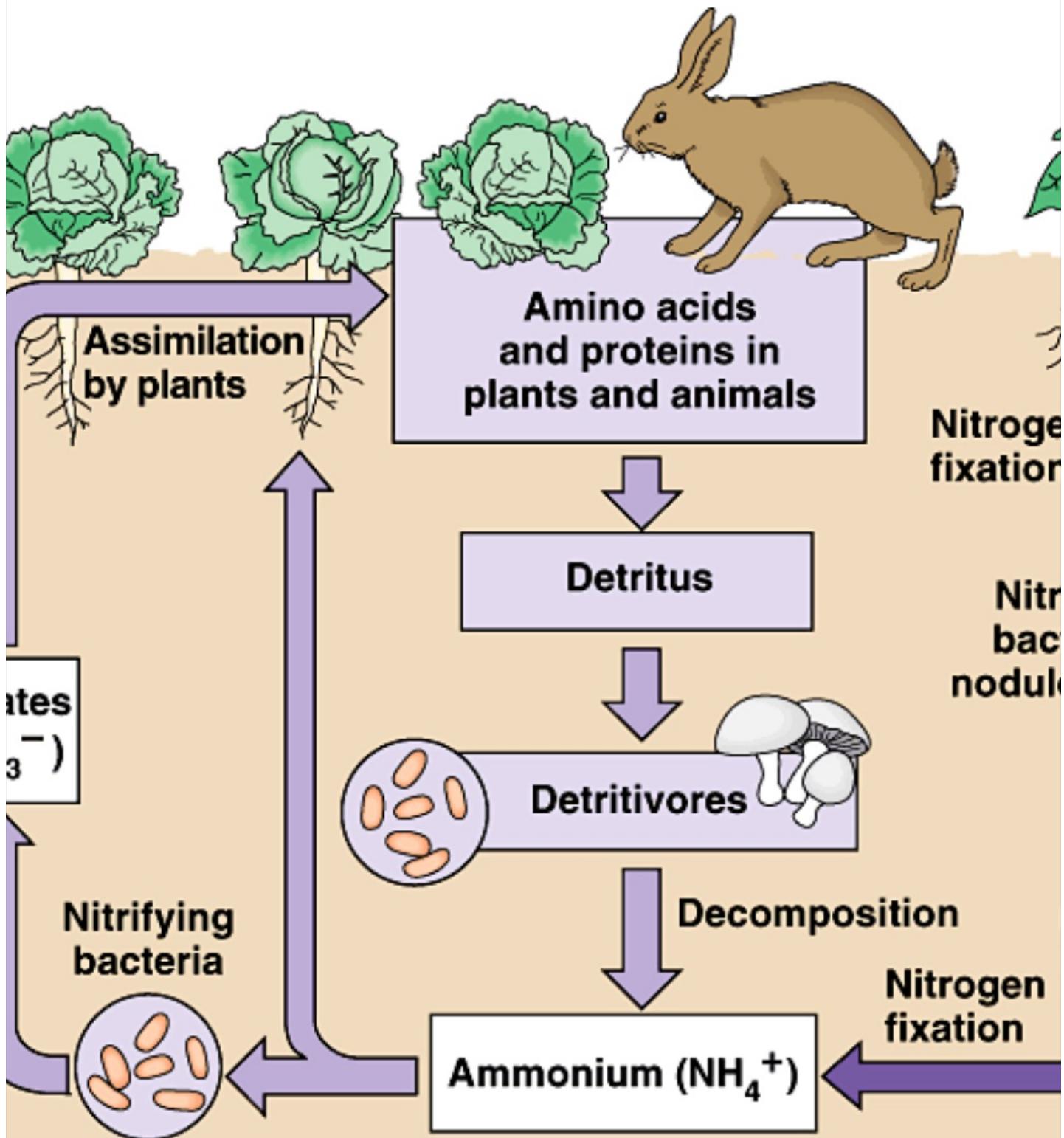
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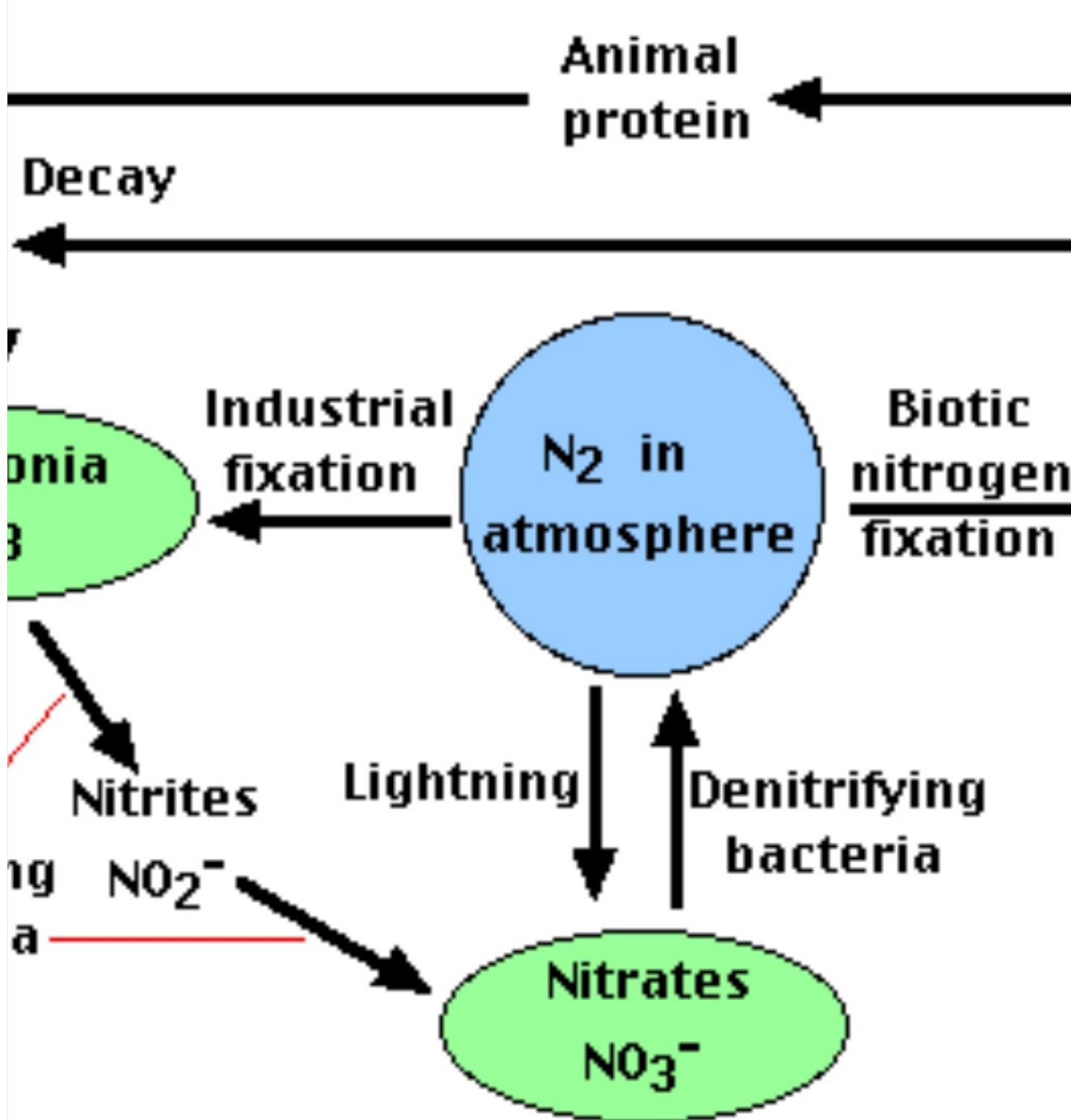




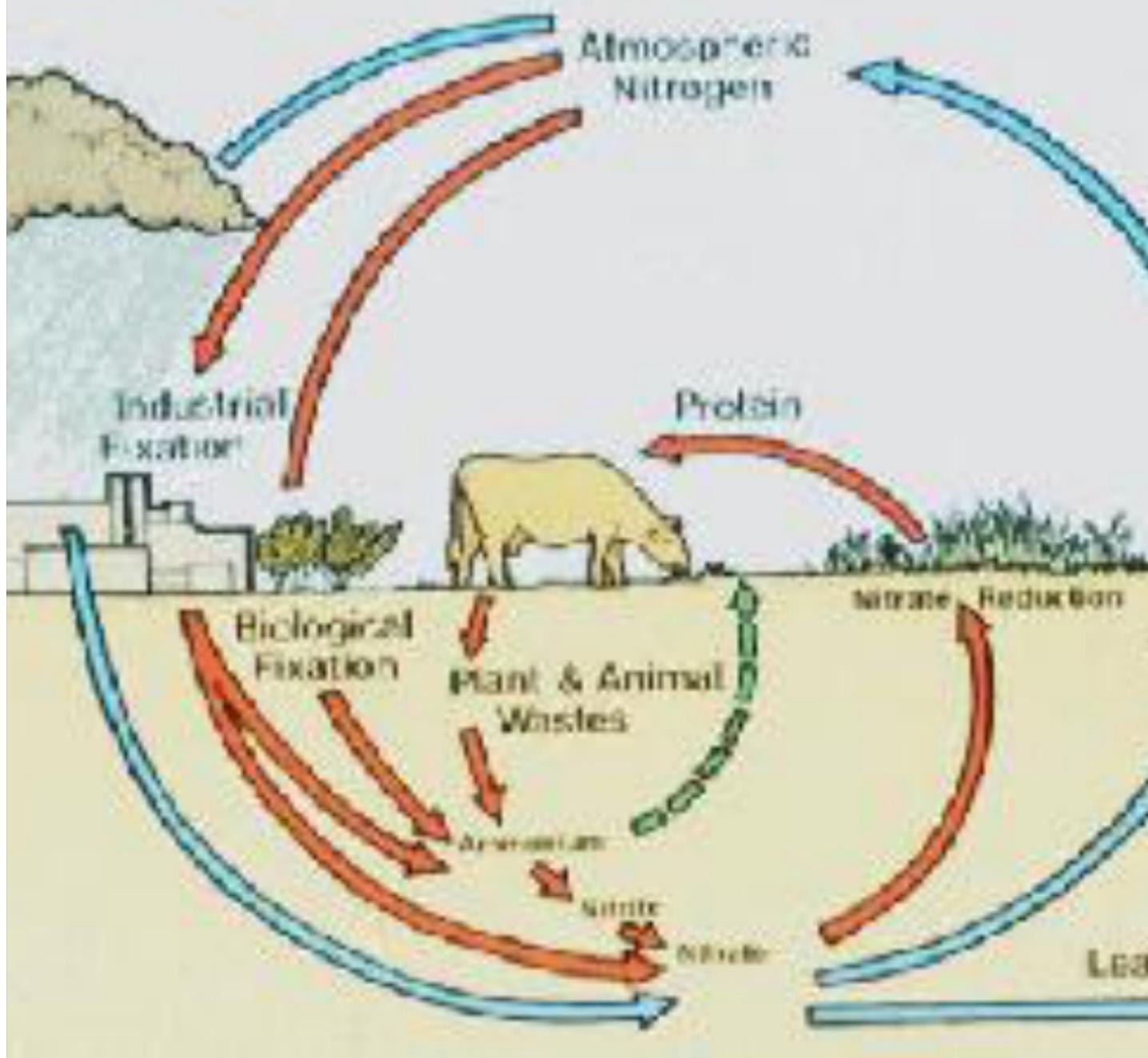
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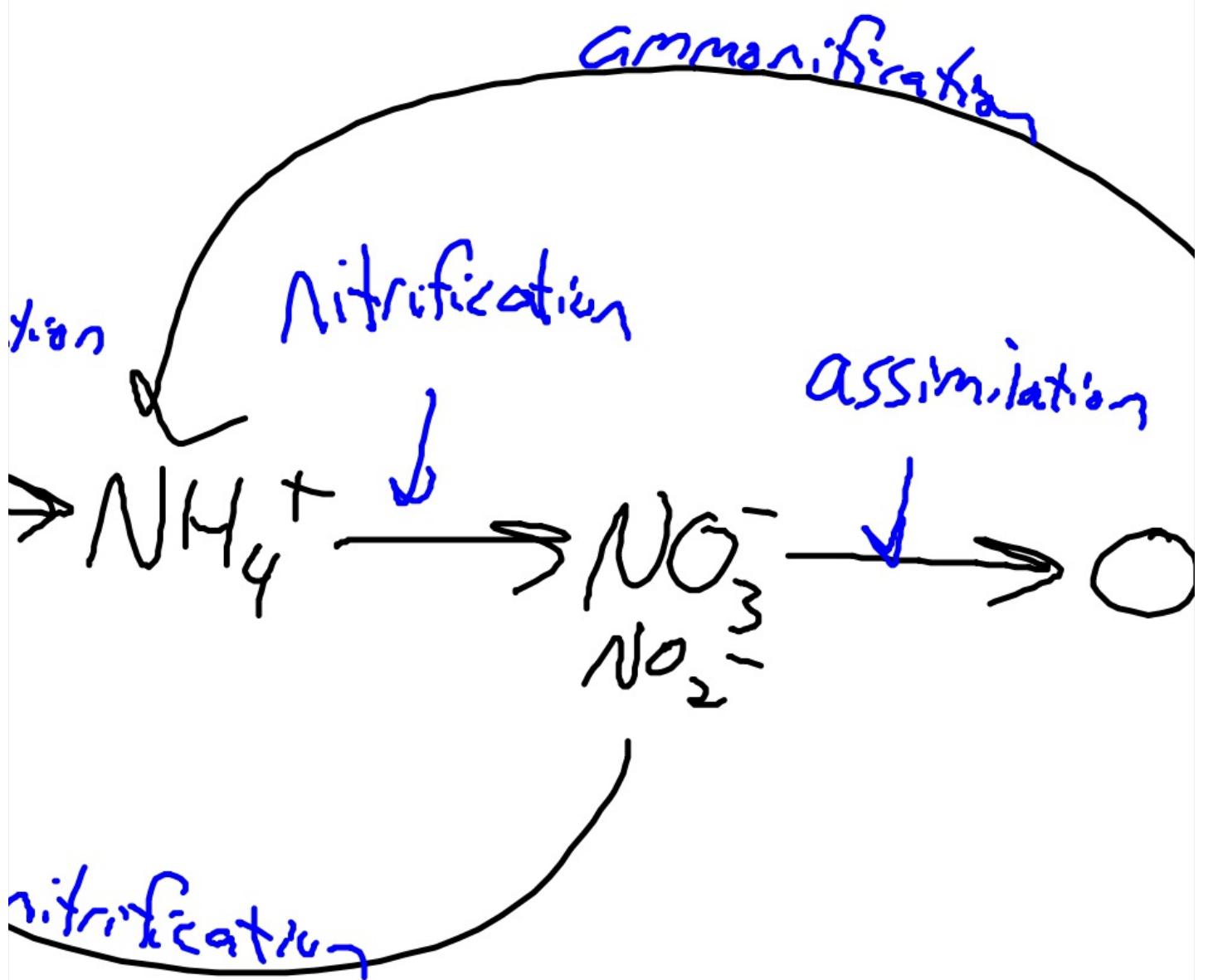
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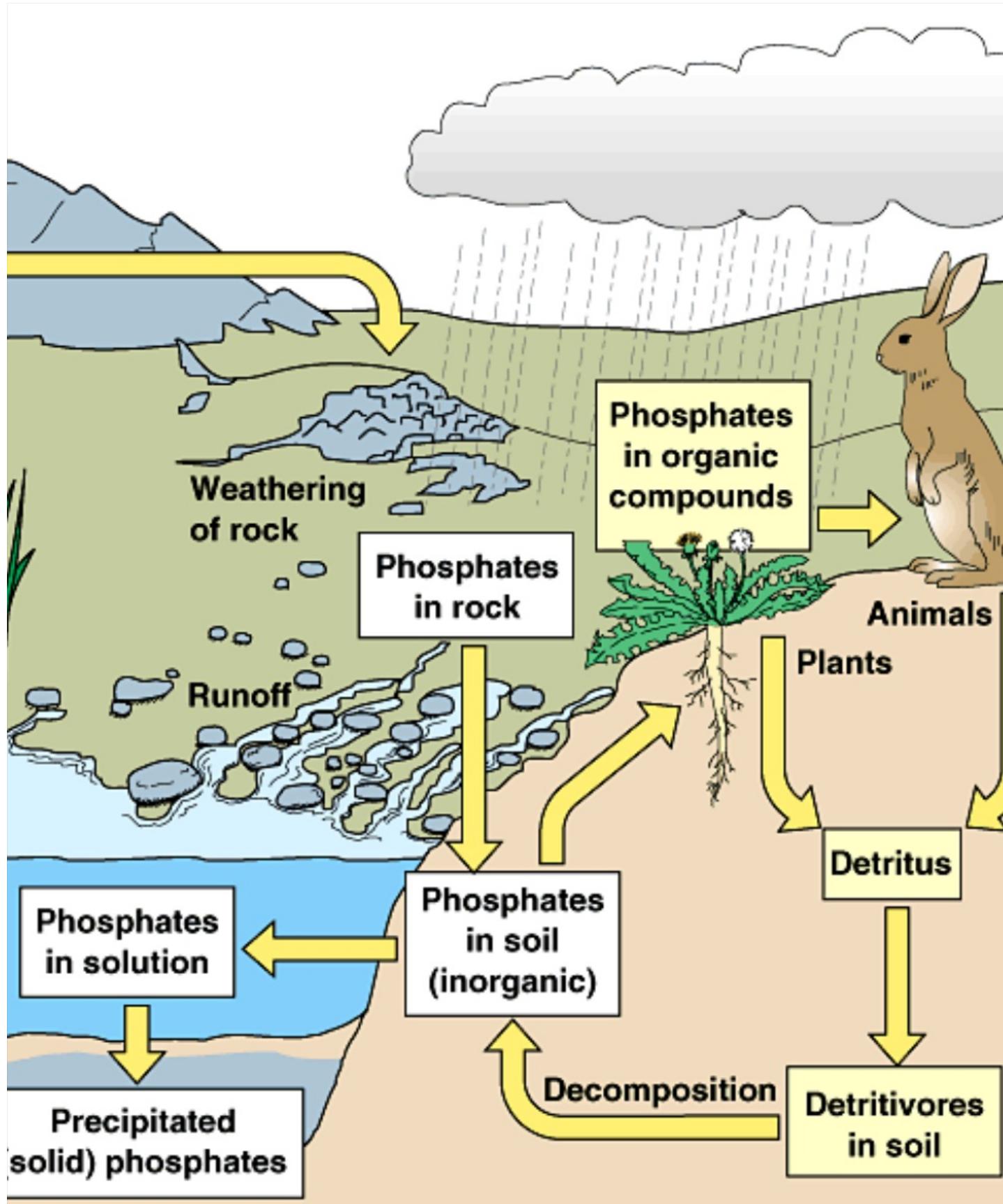




# Nitrogen Cycle







Weathering



**Kickoff:** 1. Group yourselves and sit according to the chart below

Front of class

|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|

Group 1 sit here

|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|---|---|---|---|

Group 2 sit here

|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 |
|---|---|---|---|

Group 3 sit here

|   |   |    |   |
|---|---|----|---|
| 2 | 1 | 10 | 9 |
|---|---|----|---|

Group 4 sit here

|   |   |   |    |
|---|---|---|----|
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
|---|---|---|----|

Group 5 sit here

|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|

Group 6 sit here

|   |   |    |   |
|---|---|----|---|
| 2 | 1 | 10 | 9 |
|---|---|----|---|

Group 7 sit here

|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 |
|---|---|---|---|

Group 8 sit here      Group 9 sit here

Group 10 sit here  
(back tables)

**2.** Once in your group, discuss whether climate change could affect allergies.

## Making Connections

Question: Is there a relationship between global climate change (carbon cycle) and seasonal allergies?

Objective: To analyze research and develop an evidence-based argument examining the relationship between climate change and allergies.

SPI 2.4 Predict how various types of human activities affect the environment.

SPI 3.4 Predict how changes in a biogeochemical cycle can affect an ecosystem.

SPI Inq.5 Defend a conclusion based on scientific evidence.

# AH-CHOO!

## A Case Study on Climate Change and Allergies

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### Scenario

You work for ScienceSpeak, a public relations firm that educates the public about scientific issues. Your company has won a contract with the World Health Organization (WHO) to supply materials for their new multimedia public health campaign about climate change. The WHO is specifically interested in the relationship between climate change and the increasing prevalence of allergies and asthma worldwide.

Your boss calls a meeting to discuss the contract. She gives you a set of **Data Tables** prepared for you by two expert scientists that summarize recent evidence on the effects of increasing carbon dioxide and temperature on allergenic plants. Your job is to design and produce a communication product such as a **brochure, poster, web page, or television program** that informs the public about potential links between climate change and allergies.

1. Assign two data tables for analysis to each group member, and summarize on your student Planning sheet. Share with group members and rank the top two most important ones that help you make your point.
2. Analyze your data (consider your source). What do we know, what do we want to know? How can we find out? Is there bias?
3. For each data table, consider the following:
  - The strength of the scientific evidence—e.g.: How were the data collected? Are there sufficient data to support a strong claim? How consistent is a response across plant species? Across geographical areas?
  - The relevance of the data to your target audience—e.g.: Where does your audience live? What plant species might they encounter? What sort of professional or recreational activities are your audience members engaged in?
4. Use the rubric on the back of your planning sheet, to self assess and peer review the product.

## Data Tables

**Table 1.** Observational Data. Change in start of pollen season in Europe from 1969-2003. "—" = No data.

| Country         | <i>Average change in start of pollen season</i> |                 |                 |                 |
|-----------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                 | Oak   | Birch           | Ragweed         | Grass           |
| Austria         | —   | 17 days earlier | —               | —               |
| Belgium         | —   | 23 days earlier | —               | —               |
| Denmark         | —   | 13 days earlier | —               | —               |
| France          | 12 days earlier                                 | 6 days earlier  | No change       | No change       |
| Italy           | 8 days earlier                                  | —               | —               | 6 days earlier  |
| The Netherlands | 18 days earlier                                 | 10 days earlier | —               | 6 days earlier  |
| Switzerland     | 21 days earlier                                 | 20 days earlier | 20 days earlier | 14 days earlier |
| United Kingdom  | 19 days earlier                                 | —               | —               | —               |

Sources: Corden and Millington, 1999; Emberlin et al., 2002; Frenguelli, 2002; Rasmussen, 2002; Van Vliet et al., 2002; Clot, 2003; Thibaudon et al., 2005.

**Table 2:** Observational Data. Duration of pollen season (17 pollen types) in Europe (450 stations), 1974-2002.

| <i>Flowering Season*</i> | <i>Average Change in Duration of Pollen Season</i> |
|--------------------------|--|
| Winter                   | 8 days shorter                                     |
| Early spring             | 3 days longer                                      |
| Mid-spring               | 3 days longer                                      |
| Late spring              | 4 days longer                                      |
| Summer                   | 2 days longer                                      |
| Autumn                   | 4 days longer                                      |

\* Trees typically flower from winter to mid-spring. Grasses can flower all year in some areas, but usually peak from late spring to summer. Most allergenic herbs flower from summer to autumn.

Source: Jaeger, 2001 (cited in World Health Organization, 2003).

**Table 3: Observational Data. Change in amount of airborne pollen in Europe, 1969–2003.** “—” = No data.

| <i>Country</i>  | Average change in amount of pollen |              |              |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|                 | <i>Oak</i>                         | <i>Birch</i> | <i>Grass</i> |
| Austria         | —                                  | 4.5 × more   | 2.4 × more   |
| Belgium         | 2.7 × more                         | 2.3 × more   | No change    |
| Denmark         | —                                  | 4.1 × more   | —            |
| France          | 2.3 × more                         | 5.3 × more   | —            |
| Germany         | No change                          | No change    | No change    |
| The Netherlands | 4.7 × more                         | 2.4 × more   | No change    |
| Switzerland     | 2.6 × more                         | 2.4 × more   | 1.1 × more   |
| United Kingdom  | 4.8 × more                         | 4.7 × more   | No change    |

Sources: Frei and Leuschner, 2000; Rasmussen, 2002; Spieksma et al., 2003; Bortenschlager and Bortenschlager, 2005; Thibaudon et al., 2005.

**Table 4:** Experimental Data. Effect of increased carbon dioxide ( $\text{CO}_2$ ) and temperature on pollen production in common ragweed. Half of the ragweed plants in each experiment were treated either with the predicted amount of  $\text{CO}_2$  that will be in the atmosphere in 50 years, or the predicted temperature that will occur in 50 years.

| <i>Location</i> | <i>Growing Technique</i> | <i>Treatment</i>   | <i>Observed Change in Pollen Production in Treated Plants</i> |
|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Maryland, USA   | Environmental chambers   | High $\text{CO}_2$ | 1.9 × more pollen than control plants                         |
| Illinois, USA   | Greenhouses              | High $\text{CO}_2$ | 1.6 × more pollen than control plants                         |
| Oklahoma, USA   | Outdoor field            | High temperature   | 1.8 × more pollen than control plants                         |

Sources: Ziska and Caulfield, 2000; Wan et al., 2002; Wayne et al., 2002.

**Table 5:** Experimental Data. Effect of carbon dioxide on concentration of protein allergens in ragweed pollen. Plants were grown in environmental chambers.

| <i>Concentration of <math>\text{CO}_2</math> (<math>\mu\text{mol/mol}</math>)</i> | <i>Concentration of Allergen From Ragweed Plants (ELISA/mg pollen)</i> |
|---|--|
| 280 (pre-industrial levels)   | 93   |
| 370 (current levels)  | 103  |
| 600 (projected future levels)   | 178  |

Source: Singer et al., 2005.

**Table 6:** Observational Data. Effect of temperature on concentration of protein allergens in birch pollen. Plants were grown in outdoor gardens in northern Finland.

| <i>Location</i>  | <i>Concentration of Allergen From Birch Trees<br/>(% Antibody Bound to Protein)</i> |
|--|---|
| Hill, 270 m above sea level.   | 103   |
| River valley, 90 m above sea level. (Daily mean temperatures 1.0–2.5°C warmer than Hill location). | 130   |

Source: Ahlholm et al., 1998.

## Planning Worksheet—Meeting 1

| <i>Data set</i> | <i>Summary statement</i> | <i>Rank<br/>(1 = most<br/>important)</i> | <i>Reason for ranking of top two<br/>statements</i> |
|-----------------|--------------------------|--|---|
| <i>Table 1</i>  |                          |  | 1.  |
| <i>Table 2</i>  |                          |  |   |
| <i>Table 3</i>  |                          |  |   |
| <i>Table 4</i>  |                          |  | 2.  |
| <i>Table 5</i>  |                          |  |   |
| <i>Table 6</i>  |                          |  |   |

## Peer Review Form

|   |                          |                          |                          |                          |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Reviewer name:  |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| Group name:   |                          | Intended audience:       |                          |                          |
| Type of presentation (circle one):  |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brochure <input type="checkbox"/> Poster <input type="checkbox"/> Web page <input type="checkbox"/> Television program <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| Criteria  | <b>Student-defined</b>   |                          |                          |                          |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>Introduction</i>   |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| 1. The main message is clear, factual, scientifically accurate, and catchy.   |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| <i>Body</i>   |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| 2. The product summarizes all six data tables.  |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| 3. Appropriate types of figures (e.g., graphs, maps, etc.) are used to highlight the most important data. The figures are detailed and creative.                                |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| <i>Conclusions</i>  |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| 4. Appropriate conclusions are made based on the available data.  |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| <i>General Criteria</i>   |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| 5. The text/spoken word is easy to read/hear.   |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| 6. The product is organized logically.  |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| 7. The format and language are appropriate to the target audience.  |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| 8. The product is an appropriate length.  |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| 9. There are no errors in spelling and/or grammar.  |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  |                          |                          |                          |                          |

List three specific things you liked about the draft communication product:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

List three specific suggestions for improving the draft communication product:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

General comments:











