

# Food Chain Vocabulary Cards



## Vocabulary Word

**carnivore**

## Definition

*an animal that eats other animals  
(examples: cat, hawk, shark, wolf)*

## Vocabulary Word

**herbivore**

## Definition

*an animal that eats plants  
(examples: elephant, deer,  
panda)*

## Vocabulary Word

**omnivore**

## Definition

*an animal that eats plants  
and other animals  
(examples: raccoon, brown  
bear, seagull, human)*

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## Vocabulary Word

**predator**

## Definition

*an animal that hunts and eats other animals*

## Vocabulary Word

**prey**

## Definition

*an animal that is hunted and eaten by other animals*

## Vocabulary Word

**food chain**

## Definition

*a diagram that shows how energy moves from one organism to another (example: grass > mouse > owl)*

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## Vocabulary Word

**food web**

## Definition

*a system of many food chains that interact with each other*

## Vocabulary Word

**producer**

## Definition

*an organism that makes its own food; primary source of energy in a food chain (examples: oak tree, grass, tulip, bean plant)*

## Vocabulary Word

**consumer**

## Definition

*an organism that needs to eat other organisms for food*

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## Vocabulary Word

**organism**

## Definition

*a living thing*

## Vocabulary Word

**decomposer**

## Definition

*a living thing that breaks down dead plants and animals; they turn dead material into fertile soil (examples: fungi, bacteria, worms)*

## Vocabulary Word

**scavenger**

## Definition

*an animal that searches for and eats dead animals (examples: turkey vulture, cockroach)*