Food Web - Multiple Choice Worksheet

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Instructions: Choose the correct answer from the options provided.

1. What is a food web?

- a) A sequence of events where one organism eats another
- b) A system of interdependent food chains
- c) A map of predator-prey relationships
- d) A cycle of energy between producers and consumers

2. In a food web, organisms that produce their own food are called:

- a) Herbivores
- b) Carnivores
- c) Decomposers
- d) Producers

3. What is the primary source of energy for most food webs?

- a) Water
- b) The sun
- c) Soil nutrients
- d) Oxygen

4. Which of the following best describes a herbivore?

- a) An organism that eats plants
- b) An organism that eats other animals
- c) An organism that breaks down dead organisms
- d) An organism that produces its own food

5. Which term best describes animals that eat both plants and other animals?

- a) Carnivores
- b) Decomposers
- c) Omnivores
- d) Herbivores

6. What role do decomposers play in a food web?

- a) They recycle nutrients by breaking down dead organisms
- b) They produce food through photosynthesis
- c) They act as primary consumers
- d) They are top predators in the ecosystem

7. Which of the following is a top predator in most food webs?

- a) Grasshopper
- b) Lion
- c) Rabbit
- d) Earthworm

8. In a food web, what is the role of primary consumers?

- a) They eat decomposers
- b) They eat herbivores
- c) They eat producers
- d) They produce their own energy

9. Which of the following best describes a trophic level?

- a) The position an organism occupies in a food chain
- b) A type of habitat
- c) The number of species in an ecosystem
- d) The rate of energy transfer in an ecosystem

10. What happens to the amount of available energy as you move up the trophic levels in a food web?

- a) It increases
- b) It stays the same
- c) It decreases
- d) It cycles back to the producers

11. Which of the following organisms is an example of a secondary consumer?

- a) Grass
- b) Rabbit
- c) Wolf
- d) Deer

12. Which group of organisms can make their own food using sunlight, water, and carbon dioxide?

- a) Producers
- b) Consumers
- c) Herbivores
- d) Omnivores

13. If a food web is disrupted by the extinction of a species, what is the most likely consequence?

- a) Only that species will be affected
- b) All species in the food web will immediately die
- c) Other species may either thrive or decline, depending on their role in the web
- d) The food web will remain stable and unaffected



14. Which of the following is an example of a producer in a food web?

- a) Snake
- b) Eagle
- c) Oak tree
- d) Fish

15. What do secondary consumers primarily eat?

- a) Producers
- b) Decomposers
- c) Primary consumers
- d) Detritivores

16. Which of the following organisms is both a primary consumer and a secondary consumer?

- a) Cow
- b) Bear
- c) Grasshopper
- d) Deer

17. What is the relationship between a food chain and a food web?

- a) A food chain is a complex network of food webs
- b) A food web consists of interconnected food chains
- c) A food chain and a food web are identical
- d) A food chain only shows producers and consumers, while a food web shows decomposers

18. What is the ultimate fate of energy in an ecosystem?

- a) It cycles endlessly through the food web
- b) It is eventually lost as heat
- c) It is destroyed in the atmosphere
- d) It is stored permanently in organisms

19. Which of the following is an example of a detritivore?

- a) Spider
- b) Earthworm
- c) Hawk
- d) Zebra

20. Why is biodiversity important in a food web?

- a) It ensures that all organisms are herbivores
- b) It increases the stability of the ecosystem by providing multiple food sources
- c) It reduces the number of predators
- d) It limits the number of trophic levels



Answer Key

- 1. b) A system of interdependent food chains
- 2. d) Producers
- 3. b) The sun
- 4. a) An organism that eats plants
- 5. c) Omnivores
- 6. a) They recycle nutrients by breaking down dead organisms
- 7. b) Lion
- 8. c) They eat producers
- 9. a) The position an organism occupies in a food chain
- 10. c) It decreases
- 11. c) Wolf
- 12. a) Producers
- 13. c) Other species may either thrive or decline, depending on their role in the web
- 14. c) Oak tree
- 15. c) Primary consumers
- 16. b) Bear
- 17. b) A food web consists of interconnected food chains
- 18. b) It is eventually lost as heat
- 19. b) Earthworm
- 20. b) It increases the stability of the ecosystem by providing multiple food sources

