

Understanding
the Food Web

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Vocabulary Use

Vocabulary terms were used correctly and all terms were defined or explained in text	All vocabulary terms were used, but no more than three definitions or explanations were missing.	All or most vocabulary terms may have been used, but four or more definitions or explanations were not provided.	Few vocabulary words were used or vocabulary was used incorrectly.
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Precise Word Choice

Precise word choice was used to keep communication clear.	Precise word choice was most often used, but communication was not clear in three or fewer places.	Precise word choice was sometimes used, but due to non-descript terms communication was not clear in four or more places.	Non-descript terms were used (words such as: them, it, those). Communication was not clear.
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Logical Flow

The flow of the written explanation was logical and easy to follow.	The flow of the written explanation was mostly logical and easy to follow, but in three or fewer places there was a jump/leap in thought.	The flow of the written explanation was sometimes logical and easy to follow, but there were four or more places where there were jumps/leaps in thought	The flow of the written explanation was interrupted consistently due to jumps or leaps in logic or thought.
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Grammar and Conventions

Grammar and conventions were used correctly with five or fewer errors that did not impede understanding.	Grammar and conventions were used correctly with six or more errors that did not impede understanding.	Grammar and conventions were sometimes followed, but the errors distracted from the meaning of the explanation.	Grammar and conventions were not followed and the numerous errors greatly impeded understanding.
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