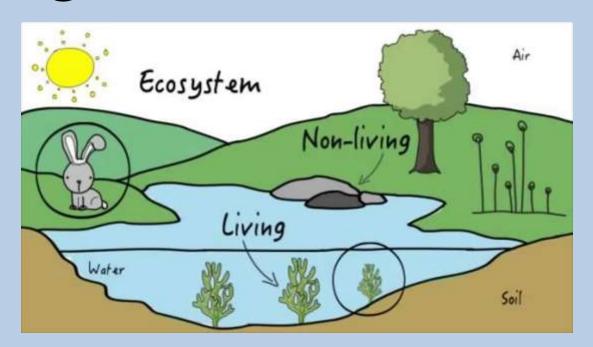
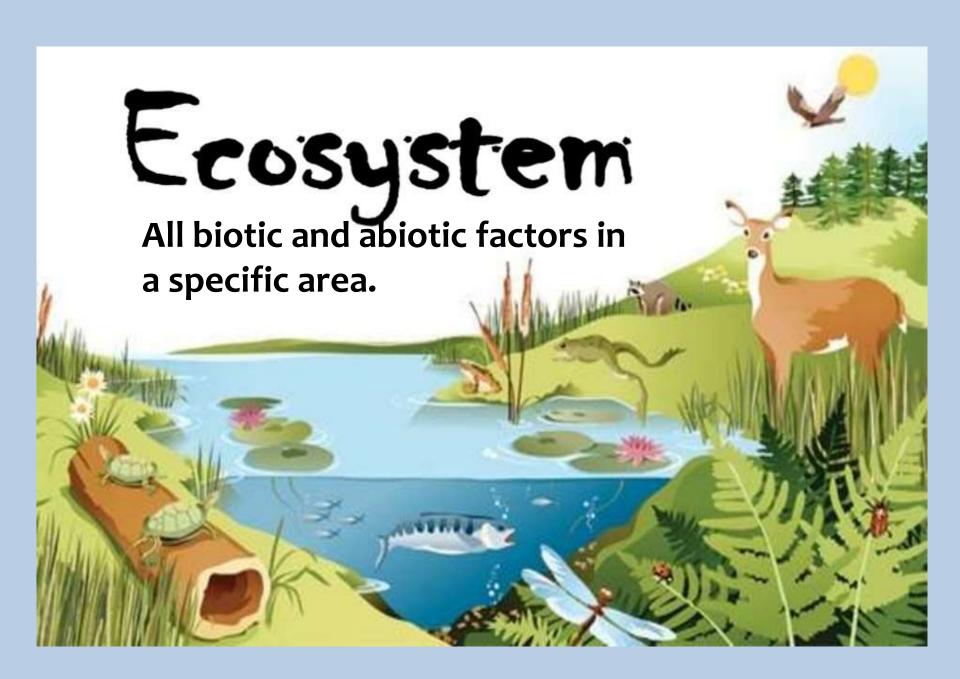


- 1. Why is it important to study ecology?
- 2. What kind of questions could an ecologist ask about the pond ecosystem?
- 3. Is Earth an open or closed system (for the most part)?

Earth as a System

 Ecology: the study of interactions between living things and their surroundings.





Earth as a System

 System: A set of interconnected parts that make up a whole.



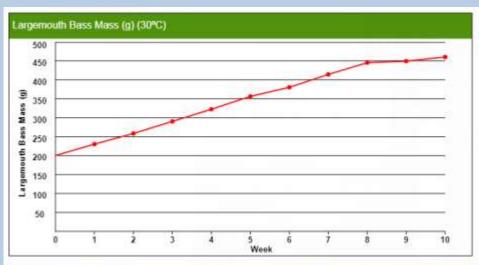
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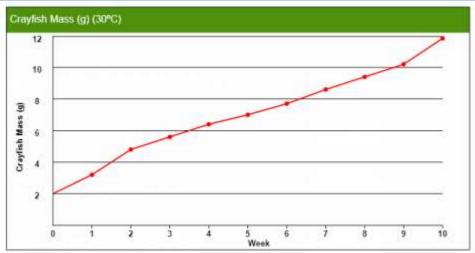
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- Biotic and abiotic factors directly influence each other
- If you change one part of a system it influences the production of the entire system

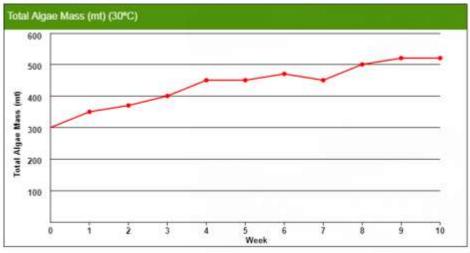
Get out your Factors Affecting
 Growth worksheet.



Temperature

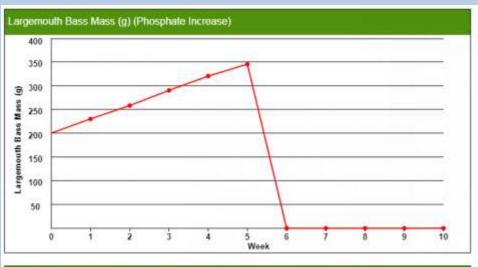


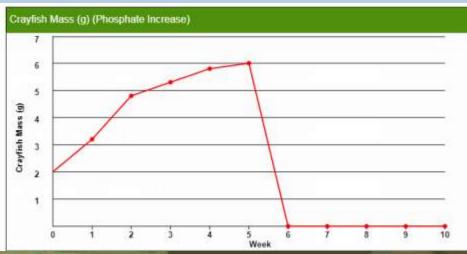


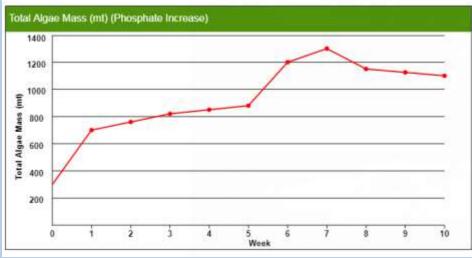




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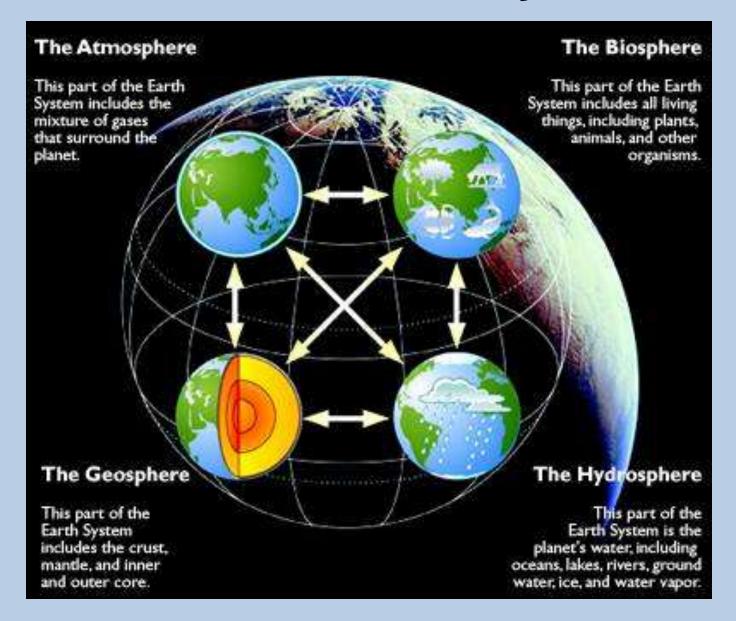








The Earth as a System



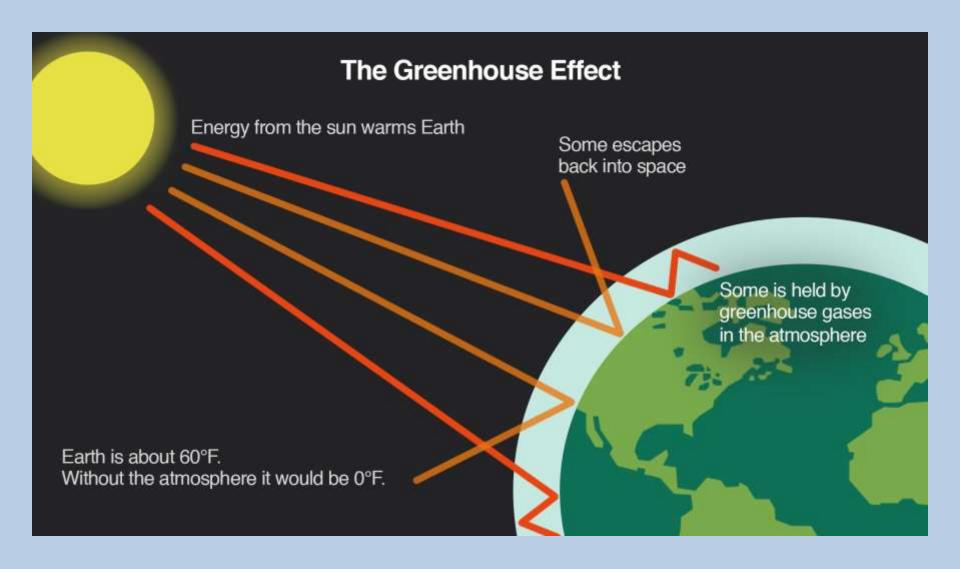
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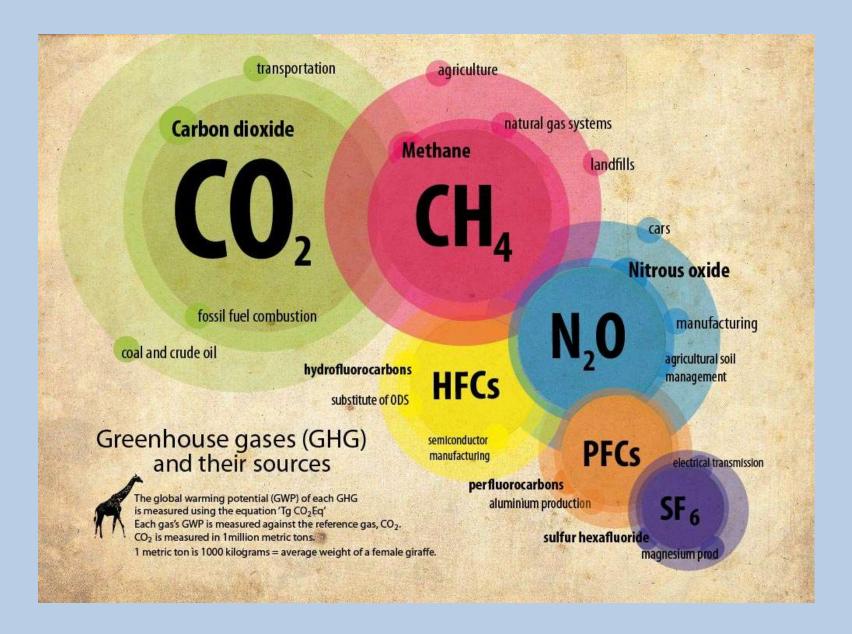
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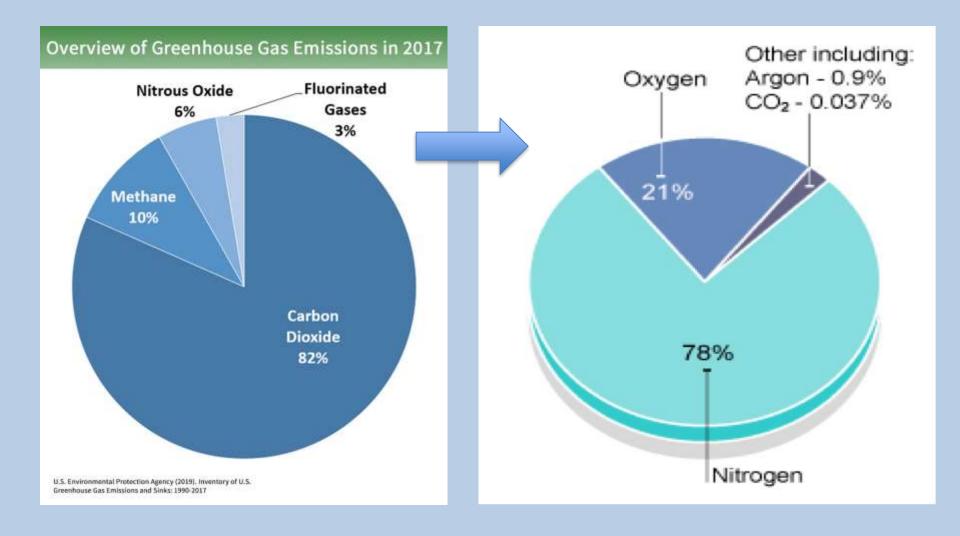
- Climate: patterns and averages of temperature, precipitation, clouds, and wind over MANY YEARS
- Weather: short-term changes in temperature, precipitation, clouds and wind from day-to-day, minuteto-minute

 What is one climate change that is greatly affecting the Earth and society right now?



 Greenhouse gases: gases that traps heat in the atmosphere.



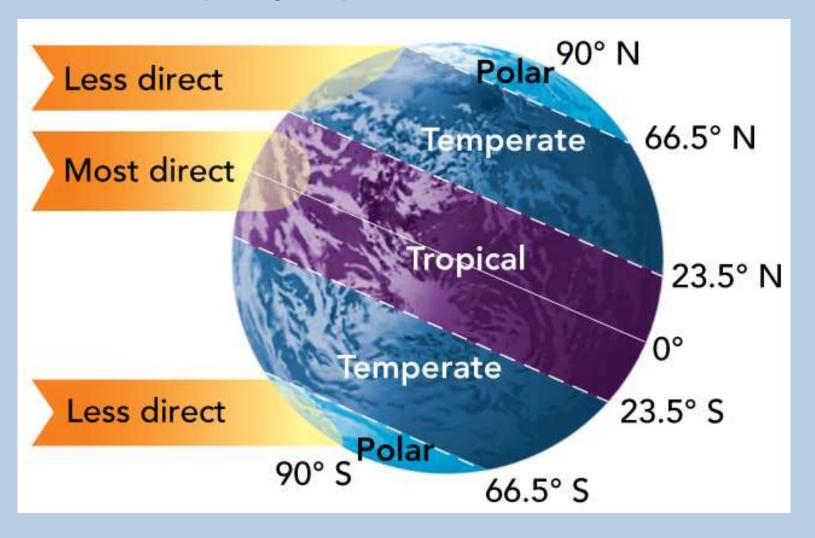


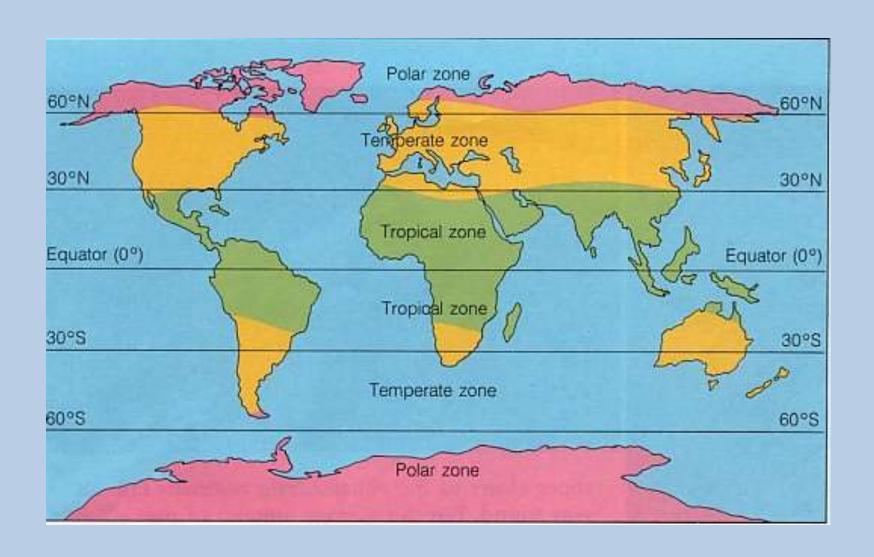


Humans use fossil fuels (coal, gas) → break down into CO2 → traps solar energy in the atmosphere → global warming

 What naturally contributes to climate?

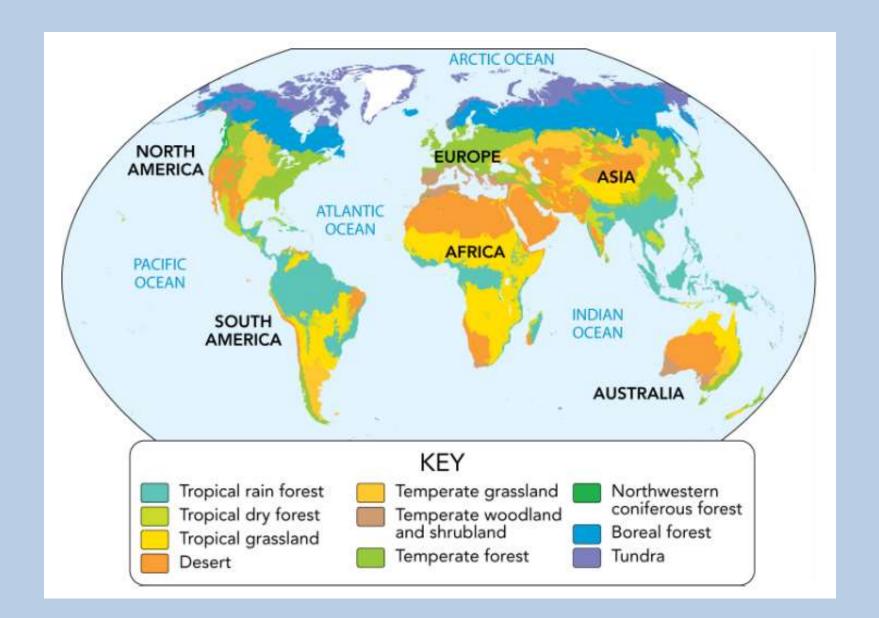
Climate Zones:





 On top of climate zones, the surfaces of Earth have an affect on temperature as well

Biomes

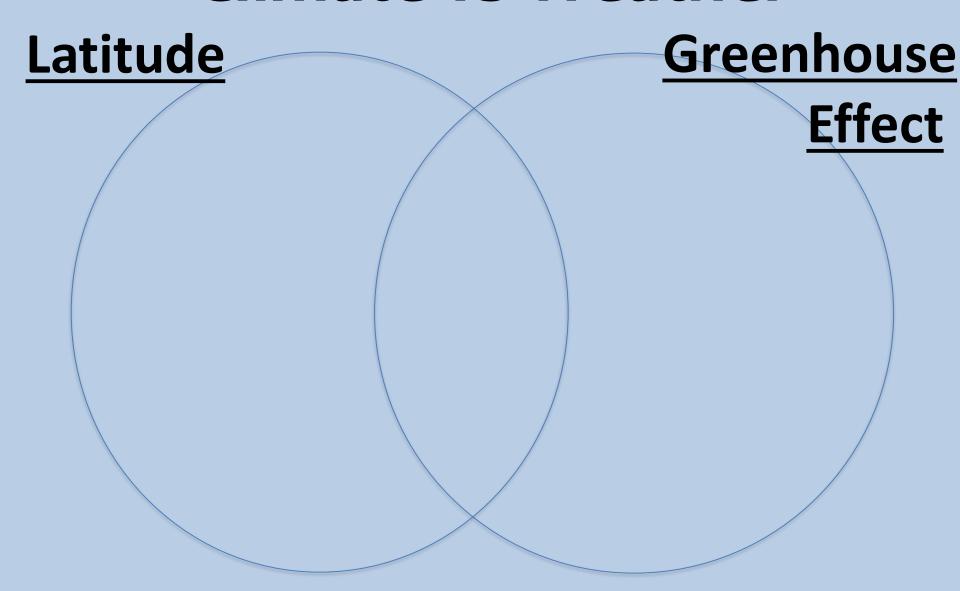


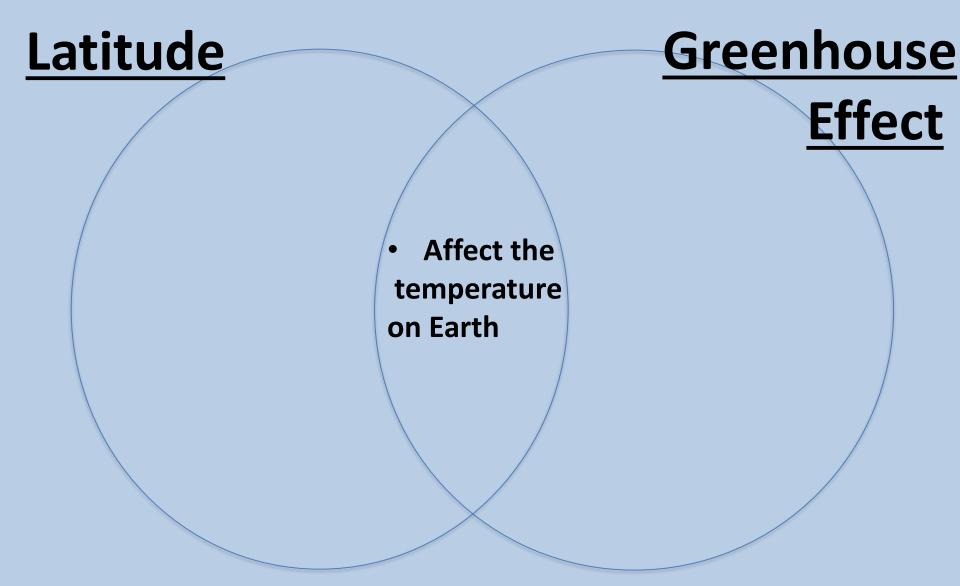
Biomes

 Biomes are different types of environments which are highly influenced by CLIMATE

CHECK-IN

 Compare and contrast how greenhouse effect and latitude influence temperatures on Earth.





Latitude

<u>Greenhouse</u>

- Effects
 temperature
 locally
- ChangesSeasonally
- Cannot be affected by humans
- Affect the temperature
 on Earth
- Effects the Effect temperature of the entire Earth
 - ChangesGradually
 - Can be affected by human activities

Biomes

- When dismissed:
- Read the biome information sheet with your group and fill out the corresponding row on your handout.
- Use your phone to research the <u>current weather</u> somewhere in the world that correlates with your biome.

Biomes

- Make sure you have every row filled out on your worksheet
- Ask questions!

CHECK-IN

- What you need to know:
- The process of the greenhouse effect
- Difference between climate and weather
- Biomes are different surface environments that make up the biosphere

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The Earth as a System

 Scientists tried to recreate this system in biosphere 2:

https://www.youtube.com/watc

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