

Area that is inhabited by population etc.
Members of community actively interact with their environment. The climate determines the environmental type. For eg climate of the area which determines whether a given area becomes desert or forest.

4. Ecosystem: An ecosystem is defined as a structural and functional unit of biosphere or community of living beings and the environment, both interacting and exchanging materials between them.

The ecosystem was coined by A.G. Tansley in 1935. An ecosystem is a functional unit of nature and interaction between biotic (living) and abiotic components. Both components are living which mainly include Producers Autotrophs (Green plants manufacture food for the entire ecosystem through Photosynthesis), Consumers (called heterotrophs and they consume food synthesised by autotrophs) and decomposers (when consumer die death some fungi, bacteria are ingested into decaying form).

caterpillar, and an Acacia plant.

8. Parasitism: Parasitism occurs when there is a relationship between two different organisms, in which one partner benefits from the other partner while the other partner is harmed. The benefited partner is parasite and harmed partner is host. eg: Aphid feeding. A katibani warbling vireo is crucified by a shrike (store them as a cache for a later meal)

9. Commensalism: Commensalism occurs when there is a relationship between two different organisms, in which one partner benefits from other and but other partner benefited, not harmed. eg: insect and flowers, Anemonefishes dwells among tentacles of tropical sea anemons.

Adaptation impact on ecosystem: Symbiotic relationships are only a few ways that organisms interact with one another.

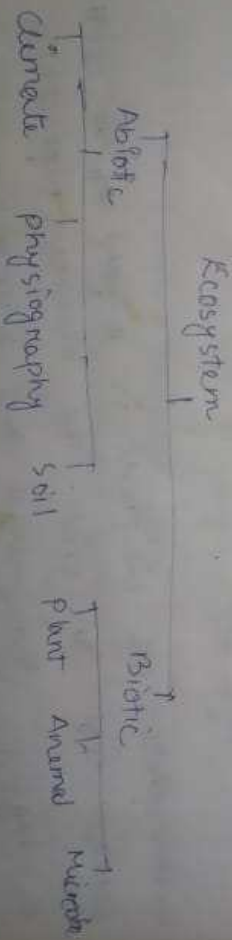
Living things are adapted, so they fit into their surroundings, to ensure survival. An adaptation is an inherited characteristic.

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comprehending atmosphere (air), hydrosphere (water) and lithosphere (land) it is a narrow layer around the surface of the earth. The biosphere is absent at extreme of the North and South Poles, the highest mountains the deepest oceans since existing conditions there ~~are~~ do not support life. Occasionally species of fungi and bacteria do not occur at a great height beyond 8000 meters, but they are not metabolically active and hence represent only dormant life.

Interrelationship between living organisms and environment :

Ecology: Ecology is the study of the relationship between organisms and their environment. An ecosystem is interaction between living and non-living things occur.



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and non living are called abiotic component grouped into three categories. Physical factors (sunlight) they sustain and provide the growth of organisms, inorganic substances are CO₂, nitrogen, oxygen, an water, rock, soil and other minerals and organic compounds are carbohydrates, proteins, lipids. They are the building blocks of living system and therefore link between biotic and abiotic components.

5. Biomes: The terrestrial part of the biosphere is divisible into enormous regions called biomes characterized by climate, vegetation, animal life and soil types. No two biomes are like. The climate determines the boundaries of the biome and abundance of plants and animals found in each one of them. The most important climatic factors are temperature and precipitation eg: Tundra biome, Taiga etc.

6. Biosphere: The biosphere is a part of the earth where life can exist. The biosphere represents a highly integrated and interacting zone

that help an organism adjust and reproduce
in its environment. Genetic adaptation are
passed during an organism's lifetime

Within an ecosystem is defined as species within ecosystem to those living things that can reproduce and have young that can also reproduce. When there are a no. of individuals of the same species within an ecosystem the group is called population. All population have many different species that live and interact together in the same ecosystem referred as community.

Need of living things :

- Living things need food.
- Living things need sustainable habitat.
- Living things need water.
- Living things exchange gases.

Interaction among living things :

A. Symbiotic relationships: when two species live closely together in a relationship that last over time symbiosis occurs. There are three forms of symbiosis :

1. Mutualism: Mutualism occurs when there is a relationship between two different organism, in which each partner benefited eg: Bees plants and their herbivores, Among an ant, a butterfly