

Target Your Reading

Ecological Roles

CHAPTER 12
LESSON 1

Use this to focus on the main ideas as you read the chapter.

1. **Before you read** the chapter, respond to the statements below on your worksheet or on a numbered sheet of paper.
 - Write an **A** if you **agree** with the statement.
 - Write a **D** if you **disagree** with the statement.
2. **After you read** the chapter, look back to this page to see if you've changed your mind about any of the statements.
 - If any of your answers changed, explain why.
 - Change any false statements into true statements.
 - Use your revised statements as a study guide.

Before You Read A or D	Statement	After You Read A or D
	1. A park in the city can be an ecosystem.	
	2. Animals, such as cats and dogs, use energy from the Sun to make food.	
	3. Earth is colder near the poles because it usually is cloudy.	
	4. Water moves through cycles.	
	5. Every organism in an ecosystem depends on other organisms.	
	6. Populations of organisms can grow without limits.	
	7. More species of organisms live in tropical rain forests because of the wet, warm climate.	
	8. There are six major zones on Earth that support different ecological communities.	
	9. There are many trees in the polar tundra.	
	10. Each species can fill many different roles in an ecosystem.	