Science 9 Ecosystem Exam Review **Answers**

- 1. For each of the following descriptions about animals state if it is
 - a. Endangered

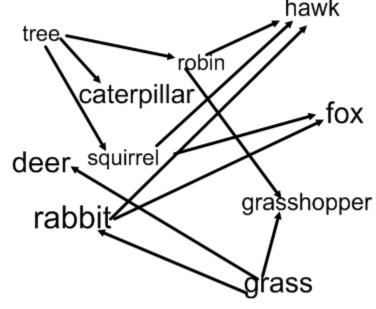
c. Extirpated

b. Extinct

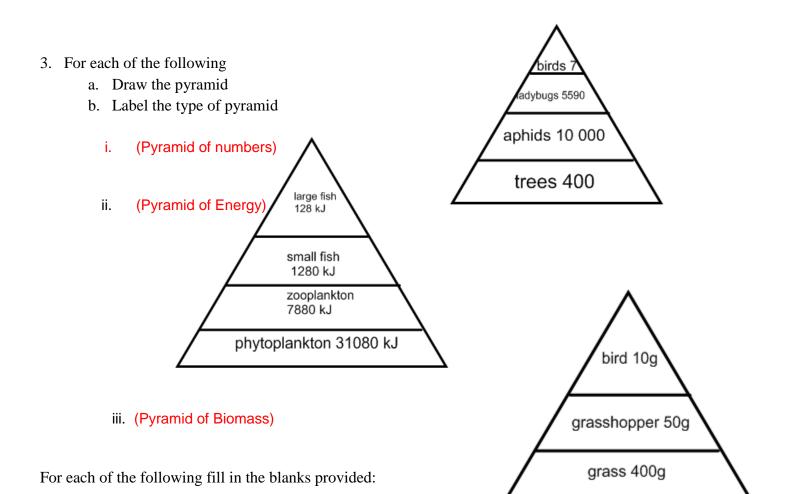
d. Threatened

e. Vulnerable

- i. Dinosaurs are no longer found anywhere (B)
- ii. The grey fox is at risk because of low or declining numbers (E)
- iii. The grizzly bear is no longer found in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, but is still found in Alberta and BC (C)
- iv. The piping plover is likely to become endangered if factors that ensure its survival are not improved (D)
- v. The whopping crane is close to extinction in all parts of Canada or a significantly large location (A)
- 2. Does this diagram below represent a food web, food chain or food pyramid? Food Web



- b. Name one animal that fits each of these categories
 - i. producer tree or grass
- ii. Secondary consumer grasshopper, fox, robin, hawk
- iii. Herbivore caterpillar, robin, squirrel, grasshopper, rabbit, deer
- iv. Primary consumer rabbit, grasshopper, deer, caterpillar, squirrel, robin
- c. If the tree was removed from this diagram what other organisms would be effected and in what ways? The robin, caterpillar and squirrel would decrease in numbers and have to find another food source. The organisms that eat these organisms would also experience a decline because their food source has been depleted.
- d. If there were an increase in the number of foxes, explain how would it affect the other organisms? The other organisms would benefit from more food source and would also increase.



- 1. ecosystem
- 2. food chain
- 3. herbivores
- 4. carnivores
- 5. omnivores
- 6. detritus
- 7. decomposer
- 8. increase
- 9. decrease
- 10. grass (answers will vary)
- 11. deer (answers will vary)
- 12. habitat
- 13. skin/ecosystems
- 14. extinct
- 15. endangered
- 16. extirpated
- 17. threatened
- 18. vulnerable
- 19. biodiversity
- 20. passenger pigeon (answers will vary)
- 21. ecology
- 22. abiotic
- 23. sunlight/water
- 24. biotic
- 25. animals/plants
- 26. population
- 27. community
- 28. ecotone
- 29. artificial
- 30. natural
- 31. trophic level
- 32. autotroph
- 33. heterotroph
- 34. food web
- 35. primary consumer
- 36. secondary consumer
- 37. 1st law of thermodynamics
- 38. 2nd law of thermodynamics
- 39. numbers, energy and biomass
- 40. ecological niche
- 41. exotic species