



Food Chains

All living things must eat in order to _____. Plants can make their own food and store it up. Animals cannot _____ this. Plants are called the *primary producers* in a food _____ because they are the only living _____ that can make their own food.

Animals that eat _____ plants are called *primary consumers*.

The next link in the chain is formed by the larger _____ that catch and eat the animals that eat the plants. These are _____ *secondary consumers*.

Sometimes there are more links in a _____ chain.

Complete these food chains and label them *primary producers*, *primary consumers* or *secondary consumers*:

1. PLANT RABBIT _____

2. PLANT CATERPILLAR _____

3. PLANT COW _____

4. PLANT APHIDS FISH _____

Usually there are more primary producers (_____) than primary consumers that feed on _____. Therefore, there must be more primary consumers than _____ consumers (predators). If there were too many predators, then there wouldn't be enough _____ to go round!