

March 5 - 9, 2018

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FRI. MAR. 9TH

## 7th Grade Science Populations and Communities: Lab

### Standards

**MS-LS2-1** Analyze and interpret data to provide evidence for the effects of resource availability on organisms and populations of organisms in an ecosystem.

**MS-LS2-2** Construct an explanation that predicts patterns of interactions among organisms across multiple ecosystems.

**MS-LS2-3** Develop a model to describe the cycling of matter and flow of energy among living and nonliving parts of an ecosystem.

### Objective

Students will be able to explain how exponential and logistic growth rates affect population size. Students will be able to predict how density- dependent factors like competition for resources and predators control population growth.

### Critical Questions

1. What factors cause population growth to increase?
2. How does carrying capacity and population density limit the population growth of species?

### Bellringer

Data Interpretation

### Engagement

**Lab Activity:** Students participate in lab activity that models a population of rabbits. Students learn how density dependent factors affect a population size.

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### Assessment

Lab performance based on rubric

## 7th Grade Science Populations and Communities: Explore

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### Objective

1. Students will construct a scientific explanation based on evidence for how adaptations help an organism survive
2. Students will apply scientific ideas to describe competition and predation
3. Students will gather and synthesize information to identify three types of symbiosis

### Critical Questions

1. How do adaptations help an organism survive?
2. What are competition and predation?
3. What are three types of symbiosis?

### Bellringer

Data Interpretation

### Engagement

Read page 170-179 as a class

### Assessment

Questions on socrative

### Homework

## 7th Grade Science Populations and Communities: Writing Assignment Part I

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Writing Assignment: Choose any 5 out of 10 writing assignments to be due tomorrow:

1. Scientific Method-Invasive Species
2. Food Webs
3. Population Growth
4. Dendrochronology
5. Bee Extinction
6. Animal Skull Inferences

## 7th Grade Science Populations and Communities: Writing Assignment Part II

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## 7th Grade Science Populations and Communities: Exam

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### Objective

Students will be to demonstrate knowledge of populations and communities through exam

### Critical Questions

1. How do living things interact with each other?
2. How do living things interact with their environment?
3. What factors adversely affect populations and communities?

### Bellringer

Review for exam

### Engagement

Students take exam

### Assessment

Test is assessment

### Accommodations & Modifications

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Rubric.pdf

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**Homework**

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**Accommodations &  
Modifications**

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**Reflections**

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**Reflections**

7. Symbiosis  
8. Succession  
9. Biomes  
10. Carbon Cycle  
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**Assessment**

Writing assignment graded  
based on rubric  
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