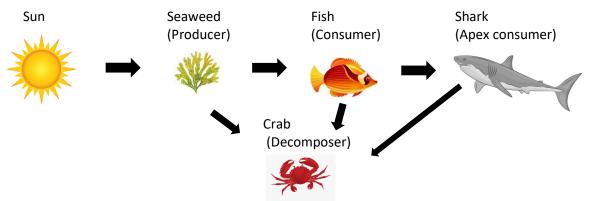
Food Chains and Webs Worksheet

A food chain is a series of organisms linked together in order of who eats whom. It shows how energy moves from one organism to another. A producer is a plant that can use the sun's energy to make its own food. A consumer is an animal that eats another organism to get energy. An apex consumer is a consumer at the top of the food chain that doesn't usually get eaten by another animal. A decomposer is an organism that eats dead plants and animals to get energy. Here is an ocean food chain example:



Directions: Cut out the pictures of the pond ecosystem plants and animals below to make a pond food chain. Put arrows between each picture to show how energy moves from one organism to the other. Label each part a producer, consumer, apex consumer or decomposer.

Glue your food chain here! Hint: phytoplankton is a tiny floating plant.



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A food web shows many food chains linked together. It illustrates the relationships between all predators and prey in an ecosystem, not just one chain.

Directions: Cut out the pictures of the pond ecosystem plants and animals below to finish the pond food web. Each picture will fit once into the food web holes.

