

Essential Questions	Concept	Objectives
What is an ecosystem?	System made up of a community of animals, plants, and bacteria and their physical non-living environment.	To know what an ecosystem is
Are ecosystems large?	It can be as small as a puddle or as large as the Pacific Ocean.	To know that ecosystems can come in all sizes
What are some different ecosystems?	Desert, rain forest, tundra, wetlands are a few ecosystems.	To be able to name a few ecosystems
What are some non-living parts of an ecosystem?	Rocks, soil, sunlight, water, oxygen	To be able to name some of the non-living parts of an ecosystem.
Where do all the ecosystems get their energy from?	The get their energy from the sun	To know that ecosystems get their energy from the sun.
How does the sun give energy?	It not only warms up our environment so we can live, it also is a main ingredient in photosynthesis (food production through light energy, water and carbon dioxide).	To know how the sun gives energy