

Sustainable ecosystems - An Introduction

Sustainable ecosystem = An ecosystem that remains relatively constant forever.

(it doesn't get used up!)

Vocabulary words:

- Decline = going down
- Excessive = too much
- Pesticide = chemical to kill unwanted plants
- Carp = fish
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Trouble for the Cricket Frog

Read the selection on page 21 and answer the 4 questions at the bottom of the page.

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What happens when humans over-consume?

Consume = to eat or use up

- How many years did it take to fill the grid? \_\_\_\_\_

- How does this activity relate to land use by humans?

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- How does this relate to the cricket frog story?

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Where a living thing (organism) lives

- Habitat = the environment where the living thing (organism) lives
- Ecosystem = ALL the living and non-living things in an area.
- Aquatic = water
- Terrestrial = land