## Oh Deer – a population simulation

Name: ..... Date: .....



#1. After completing the data charts, create a graph showing the amount of resources, deer and elk over the 30 rounds. Mark deer carrying capacity BEFORE the elk.

#2. What happened to the deer population as more resources became available? As resources became scarce? (Note: population reactions may show 'lag'. That is, they won't show instantaneous change when a

limiting factor changes...some time will pass).

- #3. What kind of species interaction(s) do you observe in this simulation? Explain. (use Table 2 in 5.7 to help here).
- #4. What was the result of the introduction of the elk? Explain the observed results.
- #5. What advantages do invasive species typically have? How did we represent that in this game?
- #6. Use the data we collected to predict what the elk population would do in the next 2 rounds. Explain your answer.
- #7. Do all "intruder species' become invasive problems? Justify your answer.
- #8. Elk are truly a problem in this simulation. What could be done to help the indigenous deer species survive?

Criteria	
K&U Able to draw an accurate graph using proper conventions.	Full marks = graph is accurately drawn using all conventions taught in class. /5
Inquiry Can interpret / analyze results. # 1,2,3,4,5	Full marks = questions correctly answered, no errors with good explanations. /5
Application Can apply knowledge to new situation (elk) <b># 6,7,8</b>	Full marks = questions correctly answered, no errors, good explanations and use of previously taught ideas and vocabulary. /5