

Nova’s Food Chain Word Mat

Learning objective: To identify and define key vocabulary related to food chains in Year 4 Science.

Key Vocabulary

Hello from Nova the Owl! Use this word mat to help you understand how living things get their energy. Read each word and its meaning. Use the word bank at the bottom to help you remember the spelling.

Producer A living thing, like a plant, that ma...	Consumer An animal that eats plants or oth...	Herbivore An animal that only eats plants.
Carnivore An animal that only eats other an...	Omnivore An animal that eats both plants a...	Predator An animal that hunts and eats othe...
Prey An animal that is hunted and eaten by a...	Decomposer A living thing, like a fungus, tha...	Energy What living things need to grow, mo...
Food chain A diagram that shows how ener...	Habitat The natural home where a plant or a...	Ecosystem A community of living things wor...
Organism Any individual living thing, such as...	Sunlight The main source of energy for alm...	Food source What an animal chooses to eat..