

STUDY GUIDE

Year 9 Science

Ecosystems

Chapter 3

Assessment

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| Chapter | Content Description | Elaborations |
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| Ecosystems Chapter 3 (4 weeks) | Ecosystems consist of communities of interdependent organisms and abiotic components of the environment; matter and energy flow through these systems (ACSSU176) | Explore interactions between organisms such as predator/prey, parasites, competitors, pollinators and disease. Examine factors that affect population sizes such as seasonal changes, destruction of habitats, introduced species. Consider how energy flows into and out of an ecosystem via the pathways of food webs, and how it must be replaced to maintain the sustainability of the system. Investigate how ecosystems change as a result of events such as bushfires, drought and flooding. |