

## HOW PLANTS AND ANIMALS LIVE TOGETHER

### What Do Plants and Animals Need To Live?

#### Let's review:

- Plants need air, water, sunlight, and room to grow in order to live.
- Animals need air, water, food, and shelter in order to live
- What is a **shelter**? Yes, *it's a safe place for an animal!*

### How do plants get their food?

A plant uses its parts to make its OWN food!

A plant makes its own food in its leaves.

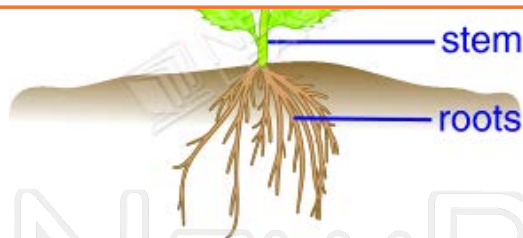
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The **roots** take in water from the soil.

The **stem** moves water from the roots to the rest of the plant.

The **leaves** take in sunlight and air.

It is the **flower's** job to make seeds.

## How do animals get their food?

Animals do not make their own food. They need to FIND their food!  
Some animals eat only plants. They are called **herbivores**.

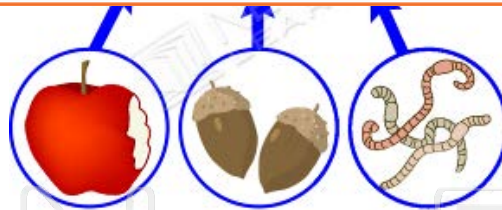


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Animals use their body parts to eat. Birds use their beaks, tigers use their sharp claws, and many animals use their sharp teeth to rip and chew their food!

**Let's check what we have learned so far:  
What is an animal called that eats only plants?**

## What is a Food Chain?

A **food chain** is the link between living things, like plants and animals, and the food they eat.

A food chain would show how grass may be eaten by a mouse, who then might be eaten by a snake who might then be eaten by an owl.

**grass → mouse → snake → owl**



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## How do plants and animals help each other?

Animals help plants by spreading their seeds so that new plants can grow.

Animals give off a special gas called carbon dioxide that plants need to live. We breathe out this special gas too!

Plants help animals (AND US) by giving off a special gas called oxygen that plants need to live. We need to breathe in oxygen too!

Animals hide in plants and trees when hiding from other animals.

## Animals help other animals too...

Here are some examples of how certain animals help animals of their own kind:

**Peacocks** make a loud noise to let each other know when danger is near.



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Many animals stay together in groups, as in herds like these bison, for protection. They are safer together as a group than they are alone.



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