

INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF BIODIVERSITY  
YEAR 3 SAVING THE TASMANIAN DEVIL ACTIVITY

STUDENT ACTIVITY SHEET

**Useful Information**

A food chain shows how each living thing gets its food.

In a food chain there are

Plants – also called producers

Animals – also called consumers

There are different types of consumers

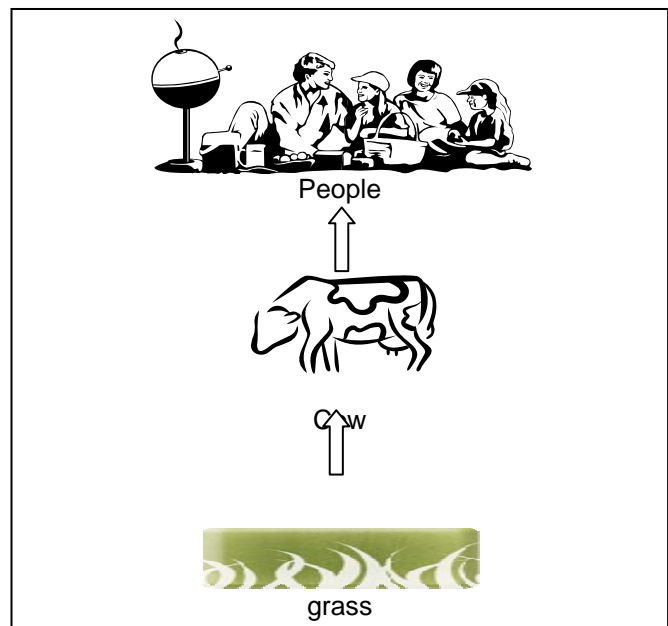
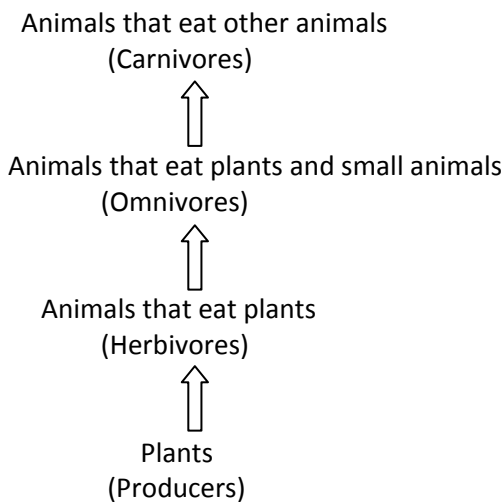
Animals who eat only plants are called herbivores eg insects, cows

Animals who eat plants and other animals are called omnivores eg humans

Animals who eat only other animals are called carnivores eg lions

Animals who only eat dead animals are called scavengers eg vultures

This is what a food chain looks like with an example for you



(Hint: the arrow points from the food that is being eaten to the animal that eats it)

A rare contagious cancer is affecting the Tasmanian Devil and making them die. Because of this they are now an Endangered Species. Scientists, including some at The University of Tasmania and at zoos are working hard to find a cure and save the Tasmanian Devil from extinction.



(Image from  
<http://www.tassiedevil.com.au/tasdevil.nsf/The-Disease/979FEB5F116CE371CA2576CB0011A26E>)

**Activities**

In the space below draw a diagram to explain your Tasmanian Devil food chain.

In the space below draw a picture of the Tasmanian Devil's food web.

Explain what happens when a fox is added to the food web .....

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What are some ways you might be able to help save the Tasmanian Devil? .....

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