

1. Define and explain the following terms:

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| (1). Primary Productivity | (6%) |
| (2). Cyclic Index | (6%) |
| (3). J-Shape Growth Form | (6%) |
| (4). Ecological Niche | (6%) |
| (5). Allogetic Succession | (6%) |

2. Define "Energy Quality" and describe the relation between the energy and food chain. (10%)

3. (1). Describe the "Sulfur Cycle" and "Phosphorus Cycle" tend to circulate in the biophere in characteristic paths from environment to organisms and back to the environment. (10%)
- (2). Explain why most elements and compounds are more earthbound than nitrogen, oxygen, carbon dioxide, and water, and their cycles follow a basic sedimentary cycle pattern. (5%)

4. Define " Carrying Capacity", draw a graph and describe the relation between the Carrying Capacity and Population Growth. (10%)

5. (1). Define " Intrinsic rate of natural increase". (5%)
- (2). Explain "When the environment is unlimited (space, food, or other organisms not exerting a limiting effect), the specific growth rate (the population growth rate per individual) becomes constant and maximum for the existing microclimatic conditions". (10%)

6. Define "Species Diversity" and discuss its components in detail. (10%)

7. Define "Ecotone" and discuss the significance of forest edge. (10%)

8. Define "Group Selection" and explain the significance of "Struggle for existence" and "Survival of the fittest". (10%)