

CLOSE READING GUIDELINES:

In your Workbook:

Step 1: Draw a line between each paragraph.

Excerpt page 21, Ecology and the Environment

During a typical day in the saguaro community, a range of interactions takes place among organisms. Two major types of interactions among organisms are competition and predation.

Competition Different species can share the same habitat and food requirements. For example, the flycatcher and the elf owl both live on the saguaro and eat insects.

Step 2: Read a paragraph.

Step 3: Bracket the paragraph and write a 10 word or less summary.

Excerpt page 21, Ecology and the Environment

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Competition and predation are ways that organisms interact in communities.

Step 4: Highlight key words and their definitions in a color of your choice.

Step 5: Highlight key info and facts in a different color of your choice.

Step 6: Repeat steps 2-5 for remaining paragraphs in a section.

In your Notebook / Binder:

Step 1: Write the title of the section

Step 2: Write the 10 word summary of the paragraph

Step 3: Write all highlighted vocabulary

Step 4: Write all highlighted key info

Competition

- (summary) Species that share their food and habitat are in competition.
- (Vocabulary) **competition**: the struggle between organisms to survive as they attempt to use the same limited resources.
- (Key Info) If two species occupy the same niche, one of the species might eventually die off.

Tips & Tricks

- *Some title sections have more than one paragraph, therefore there may be more than 1 summary*
- *Not all notes will look exactly the same. They are specific to you.*
- *This is an outline for the section, be specific but brief. Remember less is more.*
- *Be consistent. In your outline, keep the same order to your notes.*
- *Be organized.*