

Reading Tip

As you read, check the predictions you made to see if they were correct.

Target Your Reading

Use this to focus on the main ideas as you read the chapter.

- 1 Before you read** the chapter, respond to the statements below on your worksheet or on a numbered sheet of paper.
 - Write an **A** if you **agree** with the statement.
 - Write a **D** if you **disagree** with the statement.
- 2 After you read** the chapter, look back to this page to see if you've changed your mind about any of the statements.
 - If any of your answers changed, explain why.
 - Change any false statements into true statements.
 - Use your revised statements as a study guide.

Before You Read A or D	Statement	After You Read A or D
	1 An ecosystem can be as small as a pile of leaves.	
	2 Soil is a biotic factor that can affect which organisms appear in an ecosystem.	
	3 The Sun is the main source of energy for organisms on Earth.	
	4 A population contains many communities.	
	5 Populations can continually grow larger.	
	6 An organism's role in an ecosystem is its niche.	
	7 Different species of organisms often live in the same habitat.	
	8 Cats and cows are both examples of consumers.	
	9 Producers eat dead organisms and waste material.	