

Topic	Student Checklist	R	A	G
4.7.1 Adaptations, interdependence and competition	Recall what an ecosystem is			
	Describe which resources animals and plants compete for, and why they do this			
	Explain the terms 'interdependence' and 'stable community'			
	Name some abiotic and biotic factors that affect communities			
	Explain how a change in an abiotic or biotic factor might affect a community			
	Describe structural, behavioural and functional adaptations of organisms			
	Describe what an extremophile is			
4.7.2 Organisation of an ecosystem	Represent the feeding relationships within a community using a food chain and describe these relationships			
	Explain how and why ecologists use quadrats and transects			
	Describe and interpret predator-prey cycles			
	<i>Required practical 7: measure the population size of a common species in a habitat. Use sampling to investigate the effect of one factor on distribution</i>			
	Describe the processes involved in the carbon cycle			
	Describe the processes involved in the water cycle			
4.7.3 Biodiversity and the effect of human interaction on ecosystems	Describe what biodiversity is, why it is important, and how human activities affect it			
	Describe the impact of human population growth and increased living standards on resource use and waste production			
	Explain how pollution can occur, and the impacts of pollution			
	Describe how humans reduce the amount of land available for other animals and plants			
	Explain the consequences of peat bog destruction			
	Describe what deforestation is and why it has occurred in tropical areas			
	Explain the consequences of deforestation			
	Describe how the composition of the atmosphere is changing, and the impact of this on global warming			
	Describe some biological consequences of global warming			
	Describe both positive and negative human interactions in an ecosystem and explain their impact on biodiversity			
Describe programmes that aim to reduce the negative effects of humans on ecosystems and biodiversity				