

# Ecology Self- Guided Learning Instruction

## 1. WHAT

### *What are we learning?*

- Ecology! The ecology content for AP Biology is relatively simple, therefore you will learn/ review ecology on your own. Additional resources can be found on Blackbaud under the Ecology Topic Page and in Unit 8 of your online textbook, [OpenStax](#).

## 2. WHEN

### *When do I need to get this learning material completed?*

- You will complete material in several parts. I strongly suggest that you complete and submit the parts as outlined, as otherwise you will be overwhelmed.
- All material MUST be submitted by August 16. After this day, no work = no credit.

### *How long will it take me?*

- It should take you no more than 10 hours depending on how fast you read and how much ecology you remember from freshman year.

### *How will I turn it in?*

- Each part will be an assignment and you can turn it in digitally. For deadlines see below.
- Alternatively, you may print a hard copy and hand it in in person.

## 3. WHY

### *Why should I care about this assignment?*

This assignment will prepare you for the AP Biology exam and it will teach you self-study skills. Completion of this assignment will comprise half of your Ecology test grade.

### *How will I be graded on this assignment?*

This grade is based solely on the evidence of EFFORT you provide. Evidence includes completion AND thoroughness. If you provide me with answers that are a 1 word answer, answers lacking justification or an explanation, answers that are not specific enough, answers that do not answer the question asked - this is considered evidence for lack of effort and thoroughness and will not earn you a good grade. While you may work together, the answers you provide need to be original, your own words. Identical passages or sentences are considered cheating and will earn ALL parties and automatic zero on this assignment.

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# **Assignment**

links to individual modules are provided below, you will need to submit individual parts

**PART I** should be completed by August 2

**PART II** (Modules 1A - 1E ) should be completed by August 5

**PART III** (Modules 2A- 2C) should be completed by August 10

**PART IV** (Modules 3A - 3D) should be completed by August 16