



## Food Chains

### Another View

Chapter Three talked about the role of bacteria and fungi in decomposition. Some scientists believe they are the most important living organisms. What do you think? Ask a librarian or another adult to help you find another source about bacteria and fungi. What is the new source's point of view? What does it think about the importance of these organisms? Write a short essay comparing and contrasting the new source's point of view with that of the scientists.



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### Take a Stand

This book talked about the vast numbers of plants compared to animals higher on the food chain. Many people believe that if everyone ate plants instead of meat, our world would be a better place. Based on what you read in this book, why do you think they believe that? What's your opinion? Write a letter to a friend explaining how you feel about being a vegetarian. Include your reasons for your opinions and support them with facts.



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### Say What?

You may have found many unfamiliar words as you read this book. Find five words in this book that you've never heard before. Use the glossary or a dictionary to find out what they mean. Then write the meanings in your own words, and use each word in a new sentence.



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## Surprise Me

Nature can be full of surprises. Scientists discover new things all the time. What two or three things surprised you as you read this book? Make a list of them, then do more research on these topics at your library or online.