

## STEP 4: Insert context clues

Understanding the ~~INTERACTION~~ between organisms and their environment is the study of ecology. Organisms compete for the ~~RESOURCES~~ they need to survive when living in the same ~~ECOSYSTEM~~, <sup>community, or habitat.</sup> However, when these are limited, competition for them can be fierce. For example, ~~PREDATORS~~ <sup>one organism can kill and consume another.</sup> can kill and consume ~~PREY~~. <sup>Think of wolves hunting moose, owls hunting mice, or shrews hunting worms and insects.</sup> In other situations, a ~~PARASITE~~ <sup>by chasing it or by hiding and then ambushing it.</sup> can live on a host.