

Science Grade 7 Life Science: Interactions within Ecosystems (IE)					
Outcome		2 – Approaching The student is developing an understanding of the concept.	3 – Meeting The student consistently demonstrates an understanding of the concept or has achieved	4- Exemplary The student independently demonstrates an in-depth understanding of the concept, and consistently applies this	
IE7.1 Relate key aspects of Indigenous knowledge to their understanding of ecosystems.	With help, I can point out key aspects of traditional Indigenous beliefs about ecosystems from information I have gathered.	■ I can point out key aspects of traditional Indigenous beliefs about ecosystems from information I have gathered.	• I can relate key traditional Indigenous beliefs about ecosystems from information I have gathered to my own understanding of ecosystems using specific examples.		



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IE7.2 Observe, illustrate, and analyze living organisms within local ecosystems	Components of the biosphere	 With help, I can observe and illustrate some of the interactions of biotic components within specific populations, communities, and ecosystems. 	 I can observe and illustrate some of the interactions of biotic components within specific populations, communities, and ecosystems. 	 I can draw conclusions about the interactions of biotic components within specific populations, communities, and ecosystems. 	 I can compare the interactions of biotic components within specific populations, communities, and ecosystems.
as part of interconnected food webs, populations, and communities.	Classification of Organisms	 I can distinguish between producers, consumers and decomposers in a food chain. 	I can show how	 I can illustrate the interconnections of producers, consumers, decomposers in a particular ecosystem using food chains and food webs. 	 I can compare the interconnections of producers, consumers, and decomposers in two or more ecosystems using food chains and food webs.



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IE7.3 Evaluate biogeochemical cycles (water, carbon, and nitrogen) as representations of energy flow and the cycling of matter through ecosystems.	 I can model some of the biogeochemical cycles (water, carbon, and nitrogen). With help, I can give examples of decomposers in ecosystems. 	 I can model the biogeochemical cycles (water, carbon, and nitrogen). I can give examples of decomposers in ecosystems. 	 I can compare how biogeochemical cycles (water, carbon, and nitrogen) represent energy flow and the cycling of matter through ecosystems. 	I can suggest how biogeochemical cycles have been used or could



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IE7.4		• With help, I can list	 I can list different changes 		 I can defend a position on 	
Analyze how ecosystems change in response to natural and human	Change in ecosystems	different changes in ecosystems that happen in response to natural and human influences	in ecosystems that happen in response to natural and human influences.	examples how ecosystems change in response to natural and human influences.	the impact of natural and human influences on ecosystems.	
influences, and propose actions to reduce the impact of human behaviour on a specific ecosystem.	Actions	 With help, I can describe some current actions that reduce the impact of human behaviour on a specific ecosystem. I can take into account one of the following factors: scientific, social, technological, OR environmental in describing current actions. 	I can describe some current actions that reduce the impact of human behaviour on a specific ecosystem. I can take into account some of the following factors: scientific, social, technological, OR environmental in describing current actions.	 I can propose possible actions to reduce the impact of human behaviour on a specific ecosystem, with support. I can take into account most of the following factors: scientific, social, technological, OR environmental in proposing possible actions 	 I can design an action plan to reduce the impact of human behaviour on a specific ecosystem. I can take into account all of the following factors: scientific, social, technological, AND environmental in designing an action plan. 	



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