

Eat or Be Eaten

Student Handout

Animal/Plant	Eats	Is eaten by
Wolf	Hoofed animals (90%) Beaver Hares	
Grizzly Bear	Rodents Roots Insects Pine nuts Elk calves Grasses Cutthroat trout Large mammals	
Elk	Grasses Sedges Shrubs Aspen bark Aquatic plants	Wolves Grizzly bears Coyotes Mountain lion Humans
Black bear	Rodents Pine nuts Insects Grasses Elk calves Other vegetation Cutthroat trout	
Bison	Grasses Sedges	Wolves Bears Scavenger species Humans
Beaver	Aspen Willow Cottonwood Pond lilies	Wolves Otters
Fungi	Decomposes carrion and dead matter	Some small mammals
Bighorn sheep	Grasses Shrubby plants	Bald eagle (lambs) Coyotes Wolves Humans
Mountain lion	Elk Porcupines Mule deer Small mammals	

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Snowshoe hare	Shrubs Plants	Lynx Bobcats Coyotes Foxes Great horned owls
Buds and twigs		Elk Beavers Snowshoe hares Moose Deer
Fruits		Bears Foxes Coyotes Birds Insects Deer
Aspen		Elk Pikas Beavers Insects
Grasses		Elk Deer Bears Bison
Snakes	Small rodents Fish Frogs Tadpoles Salamanders Worms	Fish Birds Carnivorous mammals
Birds	Seeds Insects Berries Fish	Other birds Carnivorous mammals Snakes and squirrels, and weasels (bird eggs)
Aquatic insects	Other aquatic insects Aquatic plants Reptiles	Fish Birds Amphibians
Eagle	Fish Bighorn sheep (lambs) Carrion	
Ground squirrel	Fungi Leaves Buds Seeds Nuts Roots Bird eggs Insects Carrion	Weasels Coyotes Badgers Hawks Foxes

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Deer	Shrubs Aspen Grasses Conifers	Wolves Coyotes Bears Mountain lions
Terrestrial insects	Plant material Other insects Blood (mosquitoes, ticks)	Rodents Foxes Coyotes Bears Weasels Martens Fish
Pika	Grasses Sedges Aspen Lichens Conifer twigs	Coyotes Martens Hawks
Weasel	Rodents Ground squirrel Birds Eggs Snakes Insects Frogs	Birds
River otter	Fish Frogs Young muskrat Beaver	
Pine marten	Rodents Hares Shrews Pika Birds Eggs Insects Berries Carrion	
Yellow-bellied marmot	Grasses Seeds	Coyotes Bears Foxes
Coyote	Small mammals Ground squirrels Birds Carrion Elk calves Deer	
Cutthroat trout	Small fish Fish eggs Small rodents Frogs Algae Aquatic insects Terrestrial insects	Bald eagles Bears Lake trout Osprey Otters Humans