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This resource contains three activities to help children find out more about how energy is passed between living things in food chains. The first activity is designed to reinforce children's knowledge about carnivores, herbivores and omnivores, and the children will need to look out for examples from these feeding groups as they go around the zoo. The next activity requires children to think about producers, predators and prey. The final activity asks children to create their own food chains, incorporating some of the plants and animals we have in the Tropical House.

Curriculum Links

SCIENCE

Year 3 Animals, including humans

• identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat

Year 4 Living things and their habitats

• recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways

Year 4 Animals, including humans

• construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey

Create Your Own!

Can you make up your own food chains using the following animals and plants?



Sacred fig

In your final food chain, label the **producer**, **predator** and **prey**.





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Name:

Who Eats What?

Using the information in the Tropical House, match the following animals to their diet.







Linne's two-toed sloth

Pygmy marmoset Crocodile monitor

Carnivore

Omnivore

Look out for other **herbivores**, **omnivores** and **carnivores** at Marwell and add them to the table.

Herbivore

<u>Herbivores</u>	<u>Omnivores</u>	<u>Carnivores</u>

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All living things get their energy from food. Food chains show how energy is passed between living things.



At the start of every food chain is a **producer**. This is usually a green plant. Producers makes their own food using energy from the sun.

Can you find and draw two different examples of **producers** in the Tropical House?



Which type of animals <u>eat</u> producers? [circle one or more]

Herbivores	Omnivores	Carnivores
Animals which ar	re <u>eaten by</u> other o	animals are called:
Producers	Prey	Predators