

Observing Ecosystems

- What kinds of things can we record from observing the self-contained ecosystems?
- How can we record our observations?

- Record the time and date
- What are they doing?
- Observations of interactions
- Observations of growth (estimate)
- Location of organisms
- What they eat
- Do new things appear?
- Quality of water and plants
- Take photos of your ecosystem
- Sketches
- Amount of poop and how often
- Water level
- Where do they hang out
- Weight of ecosystem

- Compare to reference (looks like..., seems like...)
- Look for roots of plants
- Amount of condensation
- Look for the decomposing of organisms
- How big is it getting?
- How many organisms die and are born?
- Weight the ecosystems, How much mass has the ecosystems gained/lost?
- poop in a period of time

