Ecological interactions

Living things in an ecosystem interact with each other.

The main ecological relationships are:

- Mutualism
- Commensalism
- Predation
- Parasitism
- Competition
- Symbiosis

Activities

1- Match each photograph with its *description*.

Two male deers fighting

Flea and a child

A lion hunting a zebra

Clownfish and sea anemone

Orchids growing on branches

2 - Match each photograph with the type of relationship.

Mutualism

Commensalism

Parasitism

Predation

Competition

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3- *Match the type of relationship with the correct description.*

Predation	both species benefit from each other
Competition	one organism catches another organism and eats it.
Mutualism	one species benefits while the other is unaffected.
Parasitism	two organisms fight for limited resources
Commensalism	one species benefits while the other is harmed

4- *What type of relationship takes place? Complete the table.*

A snake eating a mouse.	*snake*		
	mouse		

A bee flying from flower to flower.	*bee*		
	flower		

Cheetahs and lions drink water from the same place.	*cheetah*		
	lion		

The oxpeckers (birds) land on rhinos or zebras eating ticks and other parasites.	*oxpeckers*		
	Rhinos or zebras		

A lichen	*algae*		
	fungus		

Wheat and poppies growing in the same area.	*wheat*		
	poppies		

Mistletoe extracts water and nutrients from the tree.	*mistletoe*		
	tree		

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