



# Rainforest Organisms Web of Life Game

Play this fun game with your class to highlight the complex nature of an ecosystem and the importance of protecting all aspects of it, including orangutans.

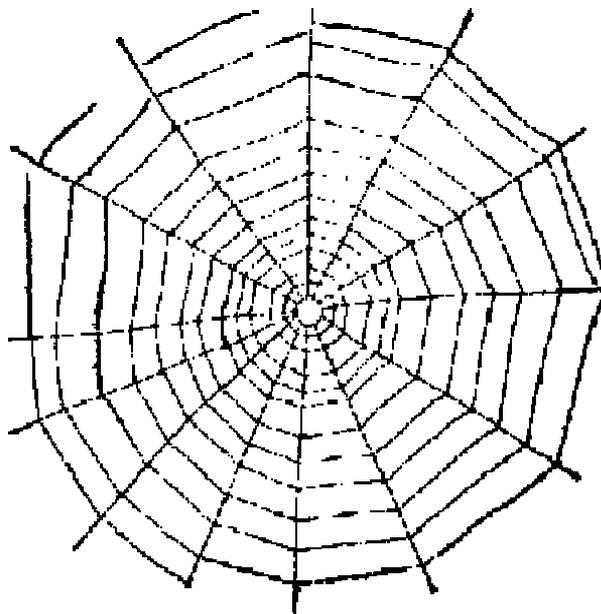
## **What you need:**

- Organism Cards (see following page) cut into individual cards
- Ball of string



## **What to do:**

1. Have the class sit in a circle and place the cards in the middle.
2. Each student must take a card from the pile and hold it up so everyone can see the name of an organism.
3. The student with the tree card begins the game by throwing the ball of string to someone else in the circle, making sure that they hold on to the end of the string.
4. The student who catches the ball of string should try to explain how their organism interacts with the tree. Anyone in the group can assist.
5. The ball is then thrown to another student while the thrower still hold on to the string. The next person to catch the ball will then explain how their organism interacts with the second person's organism.
6. The game is complete once everyone has had a turn at catching the ball. The result should be a complex web of string.
7. Ask students what might happen if one of the organisms were removed from the web and what effect it would have on the other organisms. Ask the class what would happen if you cut the string with scissors—what effect would this have on the ecosystem?





Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

# Web of Life Game

## Organism Cards



Durian	Bee	River	Tree
Rain	Fungi	Spider	Orangutan
Butterfly	Leaves	Grass	Soil
Figs	Nectar	Flower	Frog