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Biomes –examples and characteristics	Minerals
Biosphere – examples and characteristics	Nitrogen fixation
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Climate	Photosynthesis – process and efficiency (<10%, more like 2%)
Cyanobacteria	Population vs. community vs. ecosystem
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