



Food chains, webs and interdependence

6th Class

Print and cut along the dashed lines. These carry the **text a group reads** — a job to do, a brief to research, or notes to identify by. Check the lesson's teacher notes for how many sets each group needs and how they are used: some lessons hand out one card per group, others sort or sequence a full set.

Grass

A green plant that makes its own food using sunlight. Rabbits and slugs eat grass. ^{R_s} ^{R_s}

Oak leaves

Leaves from an oak tree. Caterpillars feed on the leaves. ^{R_s} ^{R_s}

Clover

A small flowering plant mixed through grass. Rabbits and slugs may eat it

Rabbit

Eats grass and other plants. Foxes and buzzards hunt rabbits. ^{R_s} ^{R_s}

Caterpillar

Eats oak leaves. Robins and thrushes eat caterpillars. ^{R_s} ^{R_s}

Slug

Eats plants and soft leaves. Thrushes and hedgehogs eat slugs. ^{R_s} ^{R_s}

Earthworm

Lives in soil among dead leaves and helps recycle plant material. Robins and hedgehogs eat earthworms. Optional card only: join as food for robin or hedgehog. Do not force a full producer → worm chain; earthworms are extras for who-eats-whom links, not chain starters. ^{R_s} ^{R_s}

Robin

Eats caterpillars, worms and small insects. ^{R_s} ^{R_s}

Thrush

Eats slugs, snails and worms. ^{R_s} ^{R_s}

Hedgehog

Eats slugs, beetles and worms. ^{R_s} ^{R_s}

Fox

Hunts rabbits and may also eat beetles and fallen fruit. $R_s \rightarrow R_s$

Buzzard

A bird of prey that hunts rabbits and other small animals

Arrow

Print simple arrow shapes labelled is eaten by (energy flows toward the eater)

