

THINK LIKE A WOLF VOCABULARY LIST

Behavior ecology: Study of how animals behave in their environment

Carnivore: An animal or organism that that survives by eating meat, or other animals

Empathy: The ability to understand and share another's feelings

Keystone species: A species that has a major impact on its ecosystem

Pack hierarchy: The order of dominance in a wolf pack

Predatory-prey dynamics: Interactions between hunters and their food sources

Territory: An area occupied and defended by a pack

Trophic cascade: Powerful indirect interactions that can control entire ecosystems.

Occurs in an ecosystem where the removal or addition of a species—often a top predator—causes significant changes in the populations of organisms at other levels of the food chain, even those they don't directly interact with