

The beech forest III

This task is about how one event in a habitat affects all living things in that habitat.



The photograph is of a beech forest. Mice, insects, birds and stoats are some of the animals that live there.

The sentences A-F are about some events that can take place in a beech forest.

- A. Mice and insects that feed on beech tree seeds increase in numbers.
- B. Stoats that feed on mice and insects increase in numbers.
- C. Food supply begins to decrease; stoats feed on birds.
- D. The next year beech tree seeds are plentiful.
- E. One year, beech trees flower heavily.
- F. Birds that feed on mice and insects increase in numbers.

1. Decide in what order the events are likely to happen.
2. In the chart below select the right order of the events. The first is done for you.
3. For each event briefly describe in the second column why you think each event will happen next.

Order	Event	I think this would happen first/next because:
1.	One year, beech trees flower heavily	
2.	<p><i>Mice and insects that feed on beech tree seeds increase in numbers</i></p> <p><i>/ Stoats that feed on mice and insects increase in numbers</i></p> <p><i>/ Food supply begins to decrease; stoats feed on birds</i></p> <p><i>/ The next year beech tree seeds are plentiful</i></p> <p><i>/ Birds that feed on mice and insects increase in numbers</i></p>	
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