

# Food Chain, Food Webs, & Energy Pyramids Big Ideas

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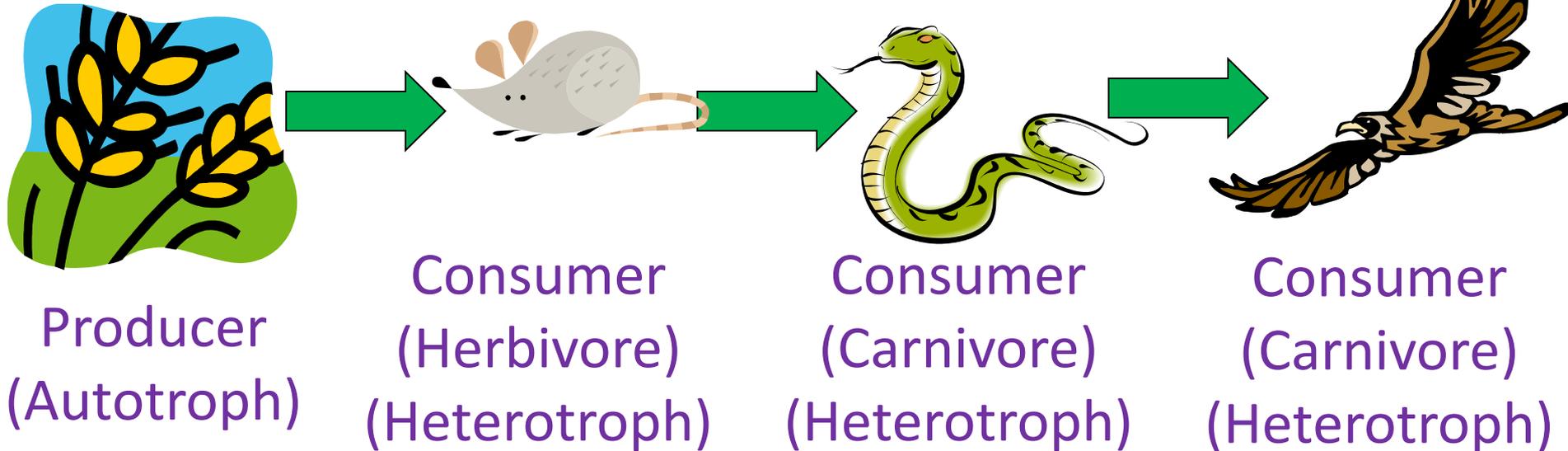


# 7.5C Diagram the flow of energy through living systems, including food chains, food webs, and energy pyramids

- I know that the → points in the direction energy flows.
- I can identify prey → predator relationships.
- I can differentiate between herbivore/carnivore/omnivore and producer/consumer/decomposer.
- I can infer a result with a given change in a food chain/web.
- I can label trophic levels.
- I can create an energy pyramid, given a food chain/web.
- I can label & explain the 10% rule.

# Food Chain

- Shows how chemical energy is passed from one organism to another
- Arrow points in the direction energy moves
- Prey → Predator
- Classification Game
- Producer, Consumer, or Decomposer?



What kind of Omnivore is missing?

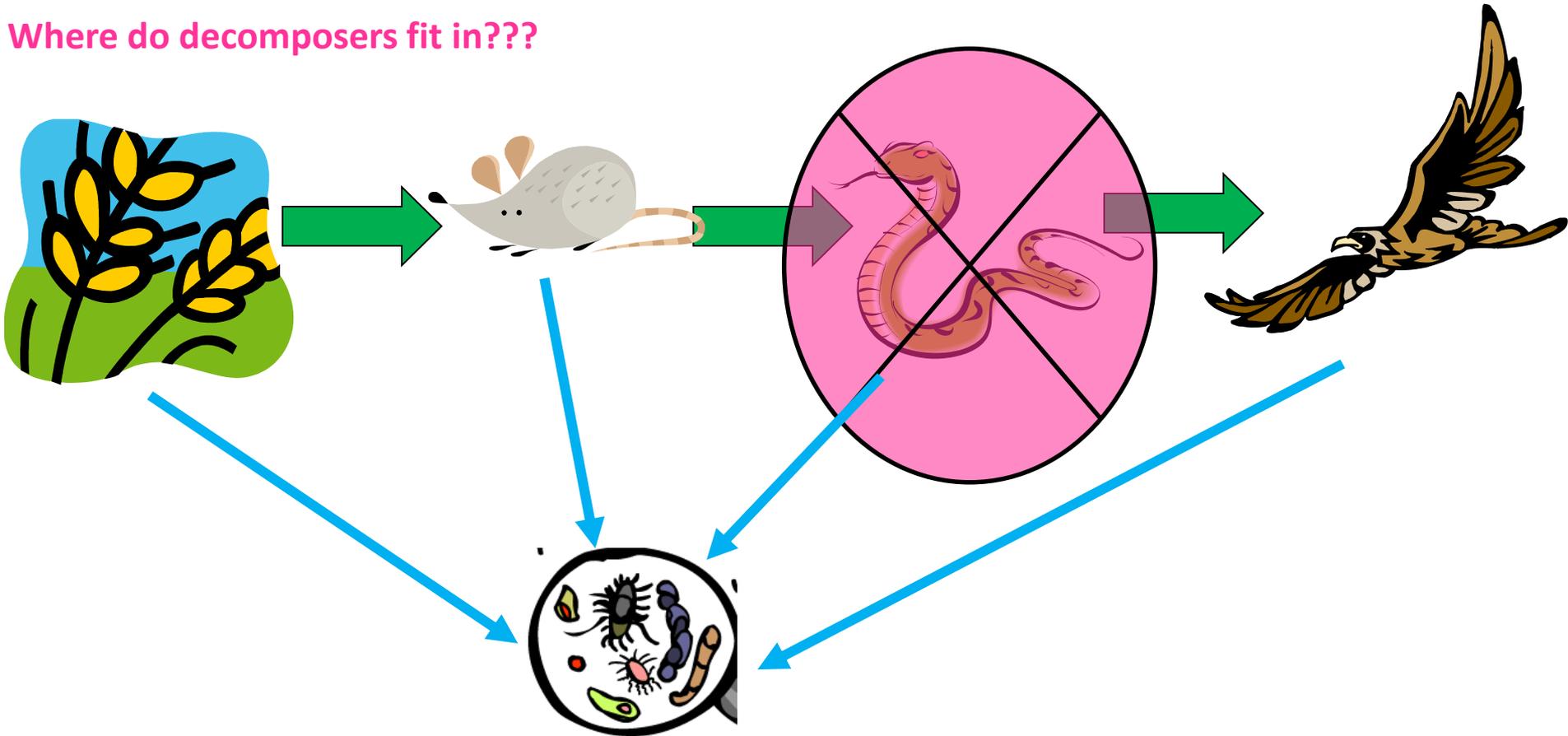
<b>Herbivore</b>	<b>Omnivore</b>	<b>Carnivore</b>
rabbit	pig	frog
sheep	bear	spider
deer	human	lion

<b>Producer</b>	<b>Consumer</b>	<b>Decomposer</b>
grass	cat	mushrooms
flower	cow	worms
algae	bird	fungi
House plant	fish	mold
cactus	human	bacteria
tree	butterfly	xxx

# Food Chain

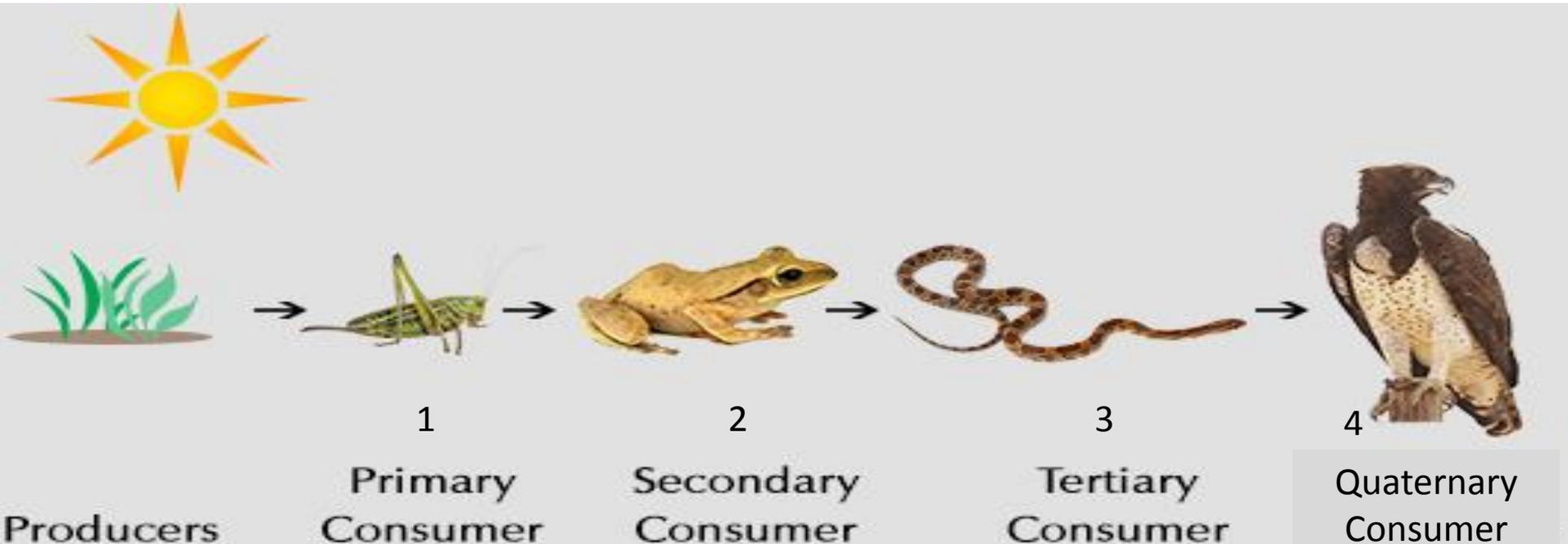
- What will happen if all the snakes die off?
  - Mice Population will increase
  - Hawk population will decrease

Where do decomposers fit in???



# Energy Flow through Living organisms..

- Can be summarized by trophic levels
- Producers → Primary Consumers → Secondary Consumers → Tertiary Consumers → Quaternary Consumers
- Food Chain Game (identify order/trophic levels)



# Texas Food Web

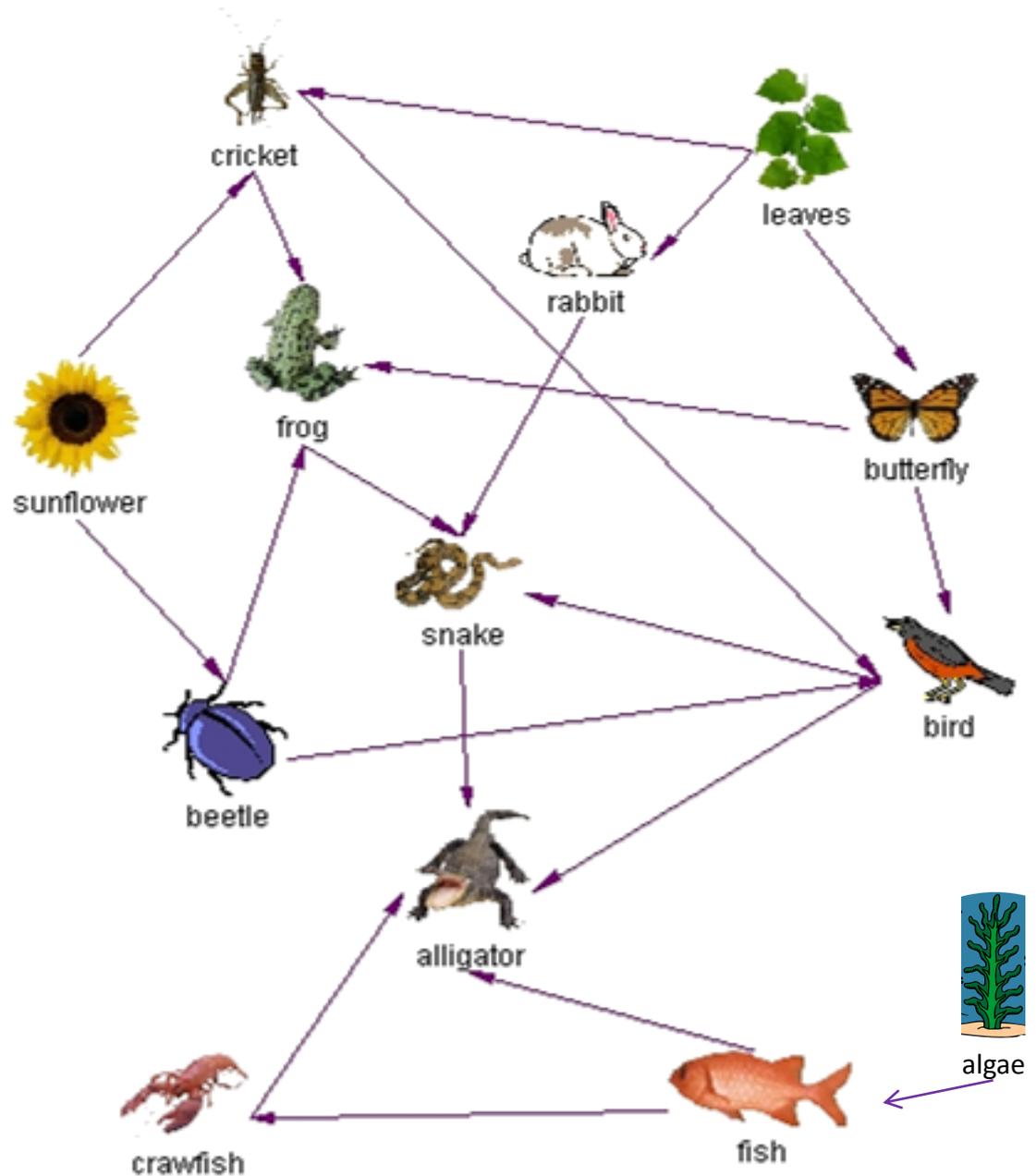
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Which of these are primary consumers?

Which of these are secondary consumers?

Which of these are tertiary consumers?

Which of these are quaternary consumers?



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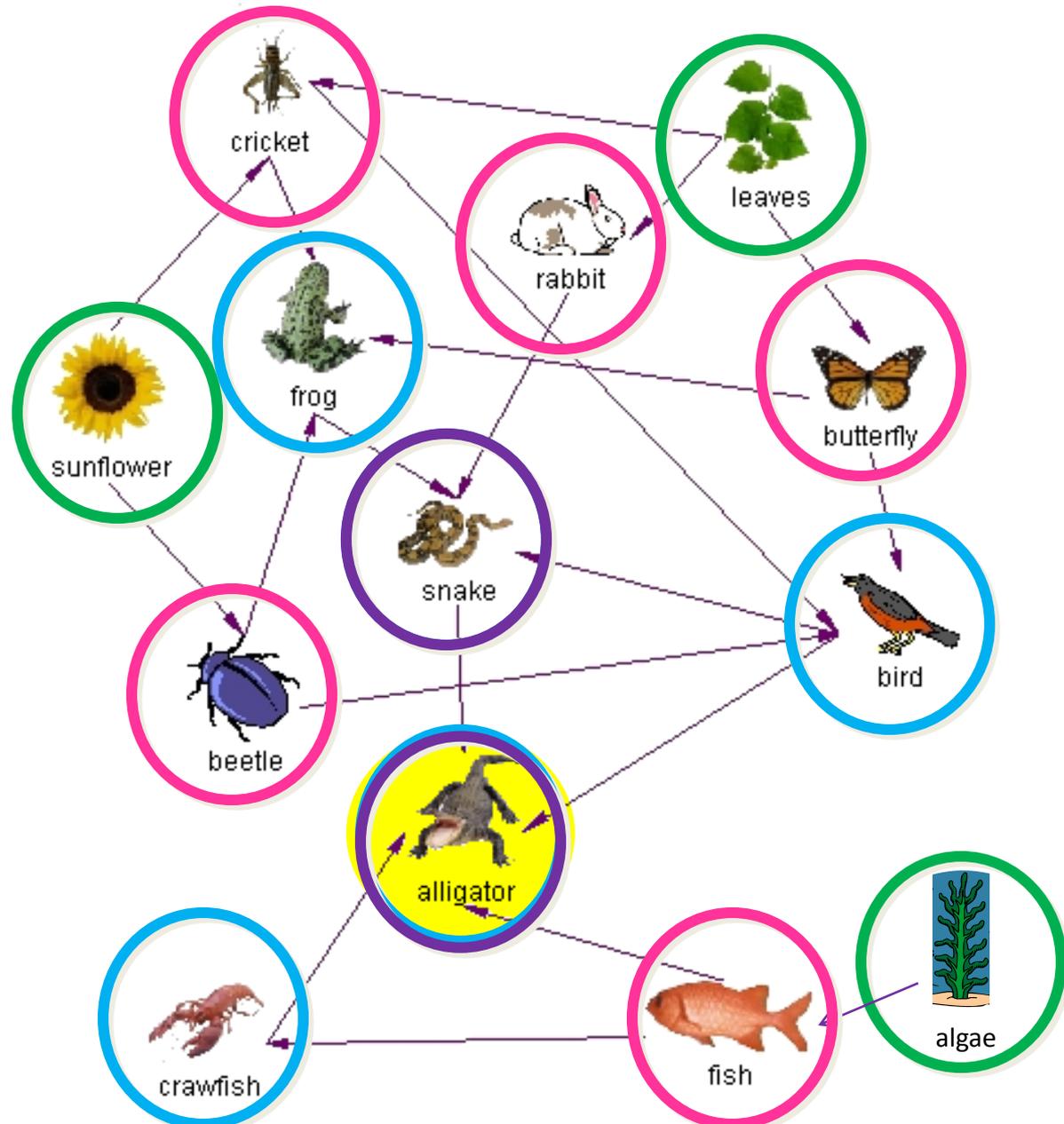
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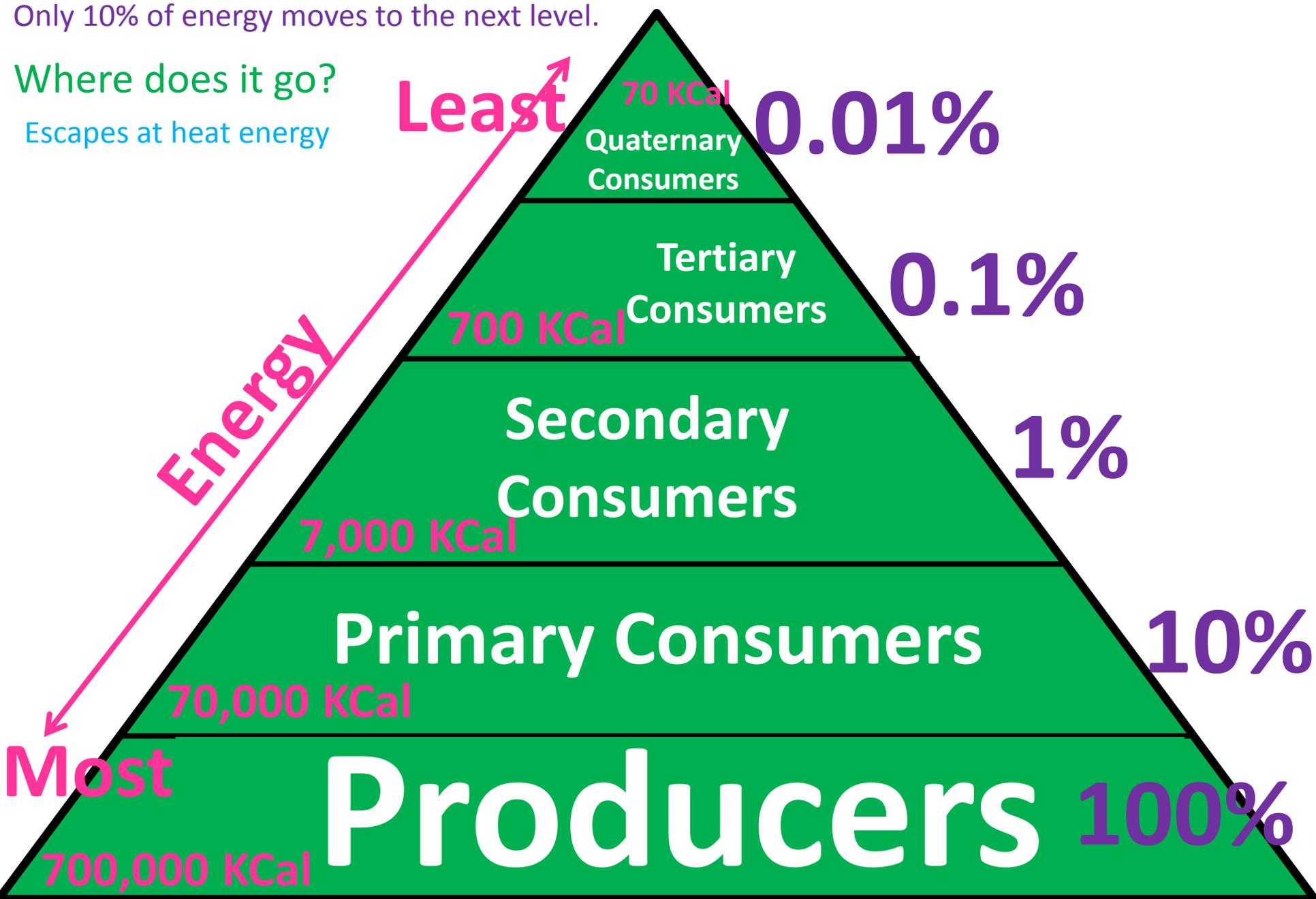


Which trophic level has the GREATEST amount of energy available?

Only 10% of energy moves to the next level.

Where does it go?

Escapes at heat energy



Your turn...

- Label the trophic level of each organism.
- Label the % of available energy.
- What would happen if all the trout died?

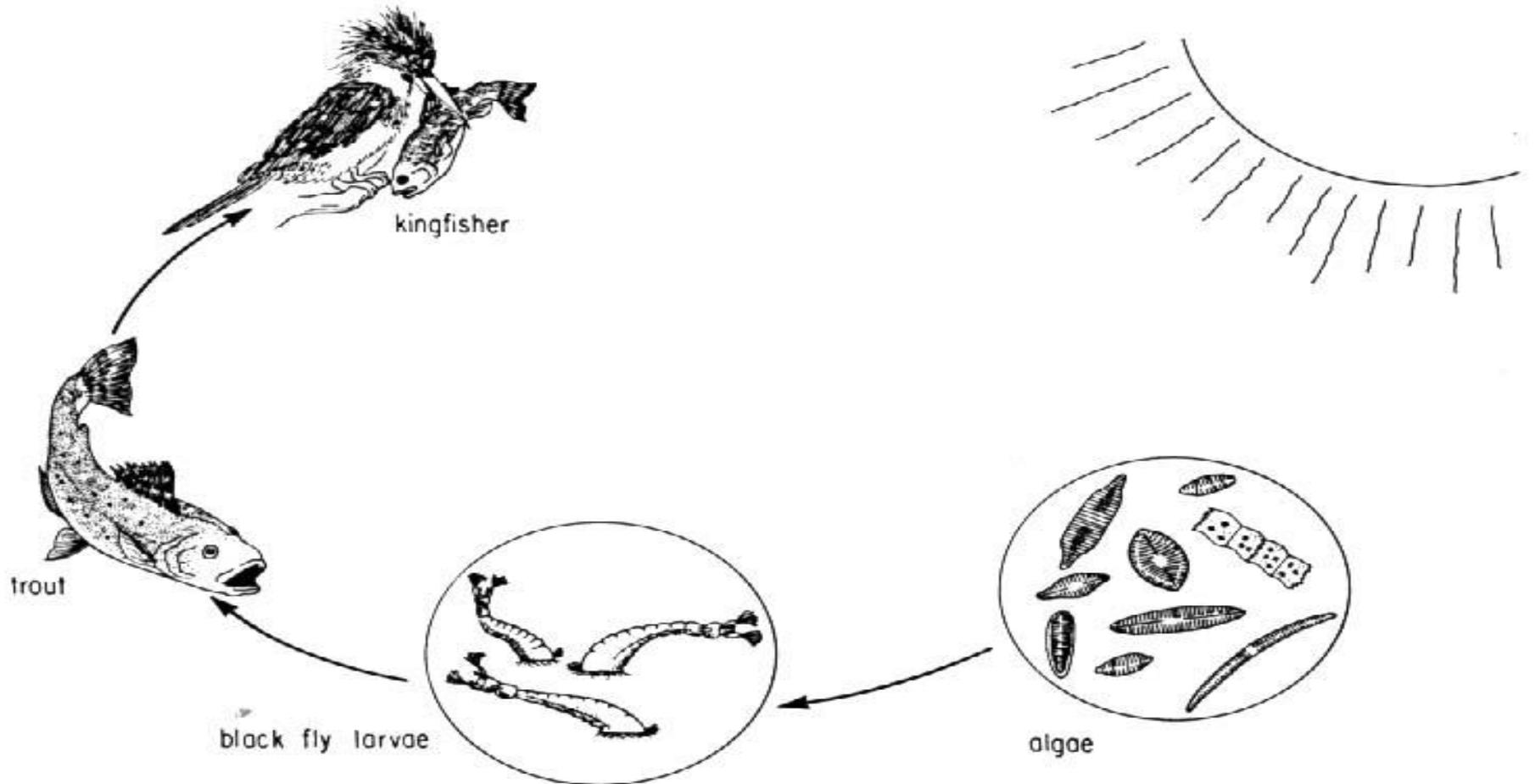


FIGURE 2-3: Stream food chain.

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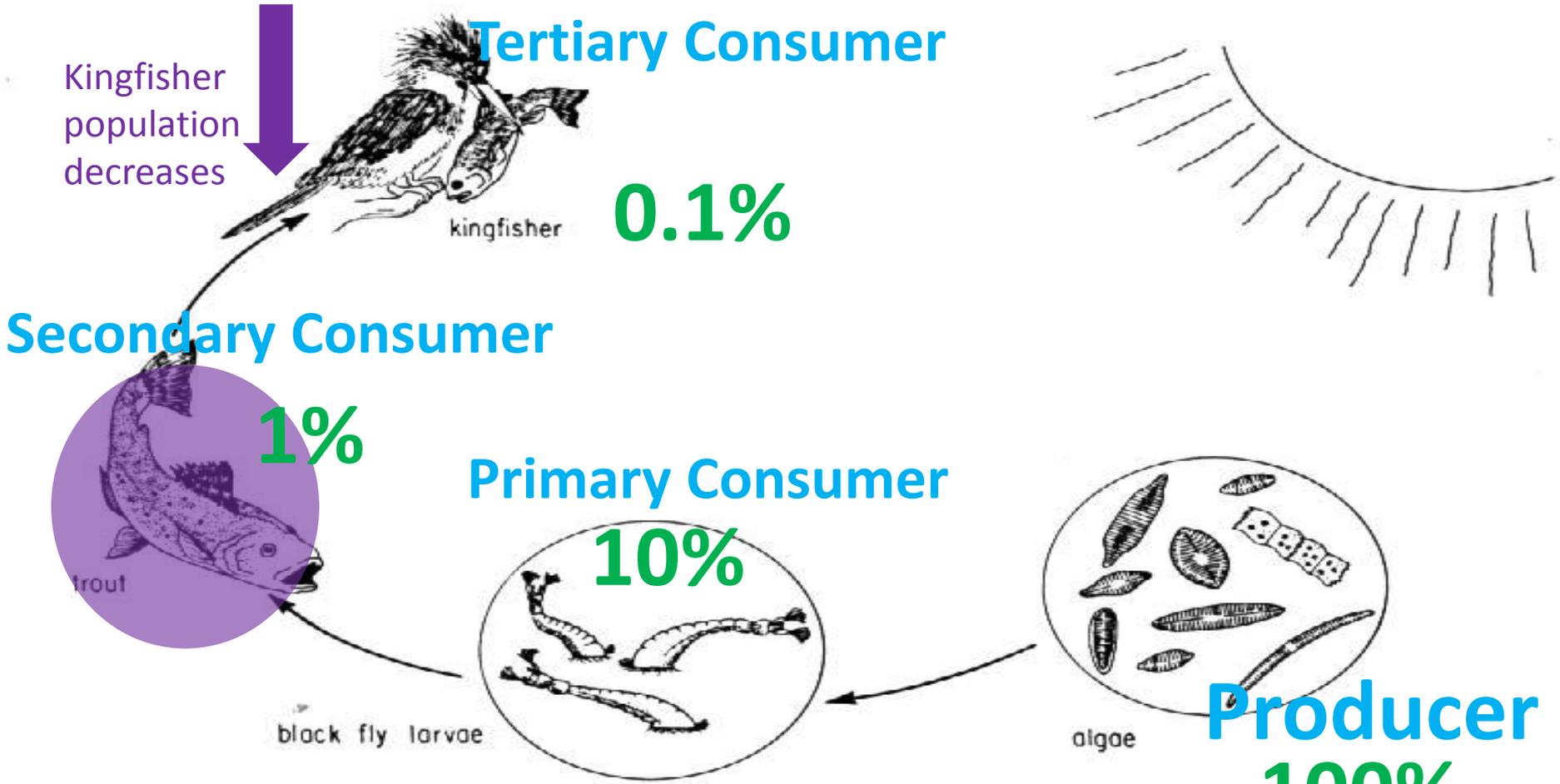
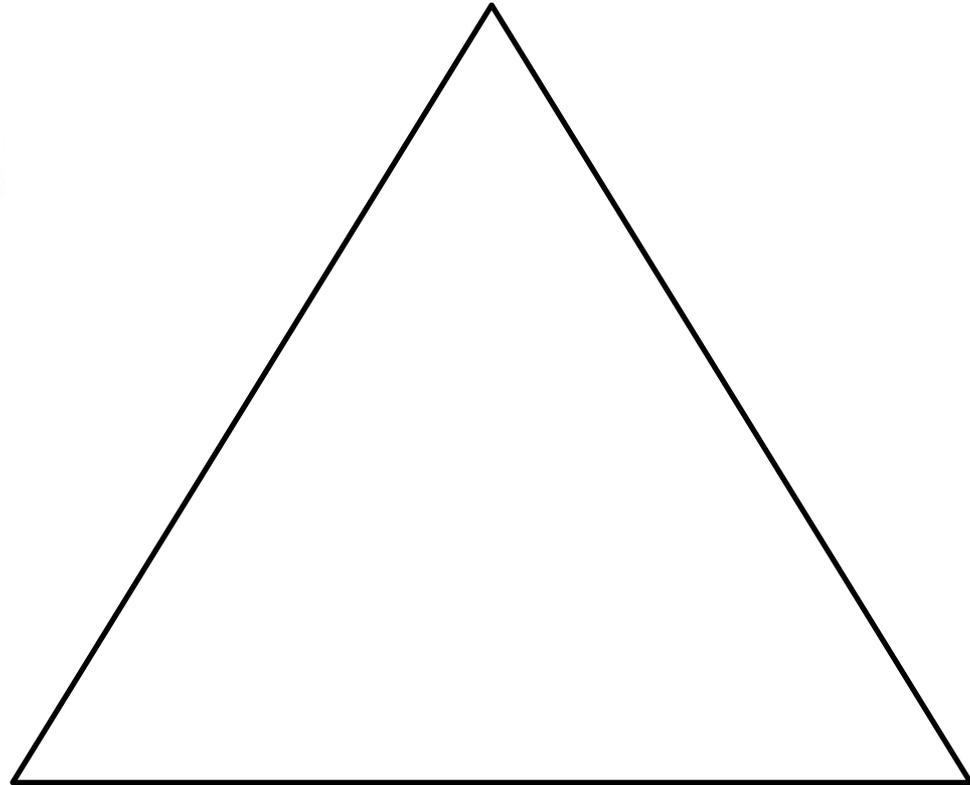
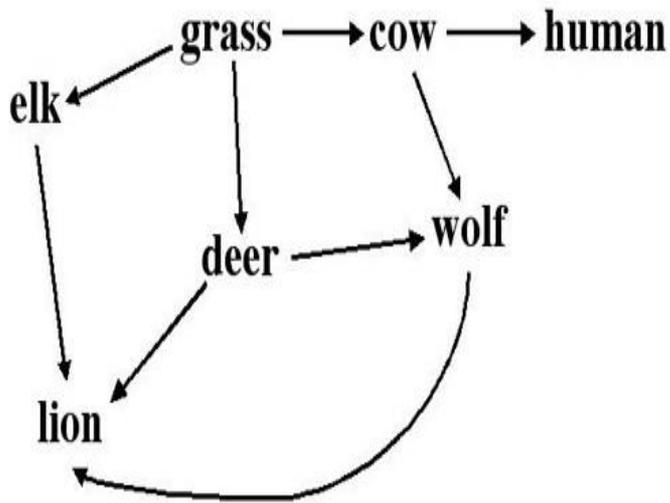


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Black Fly Larvae population increases

# You Try

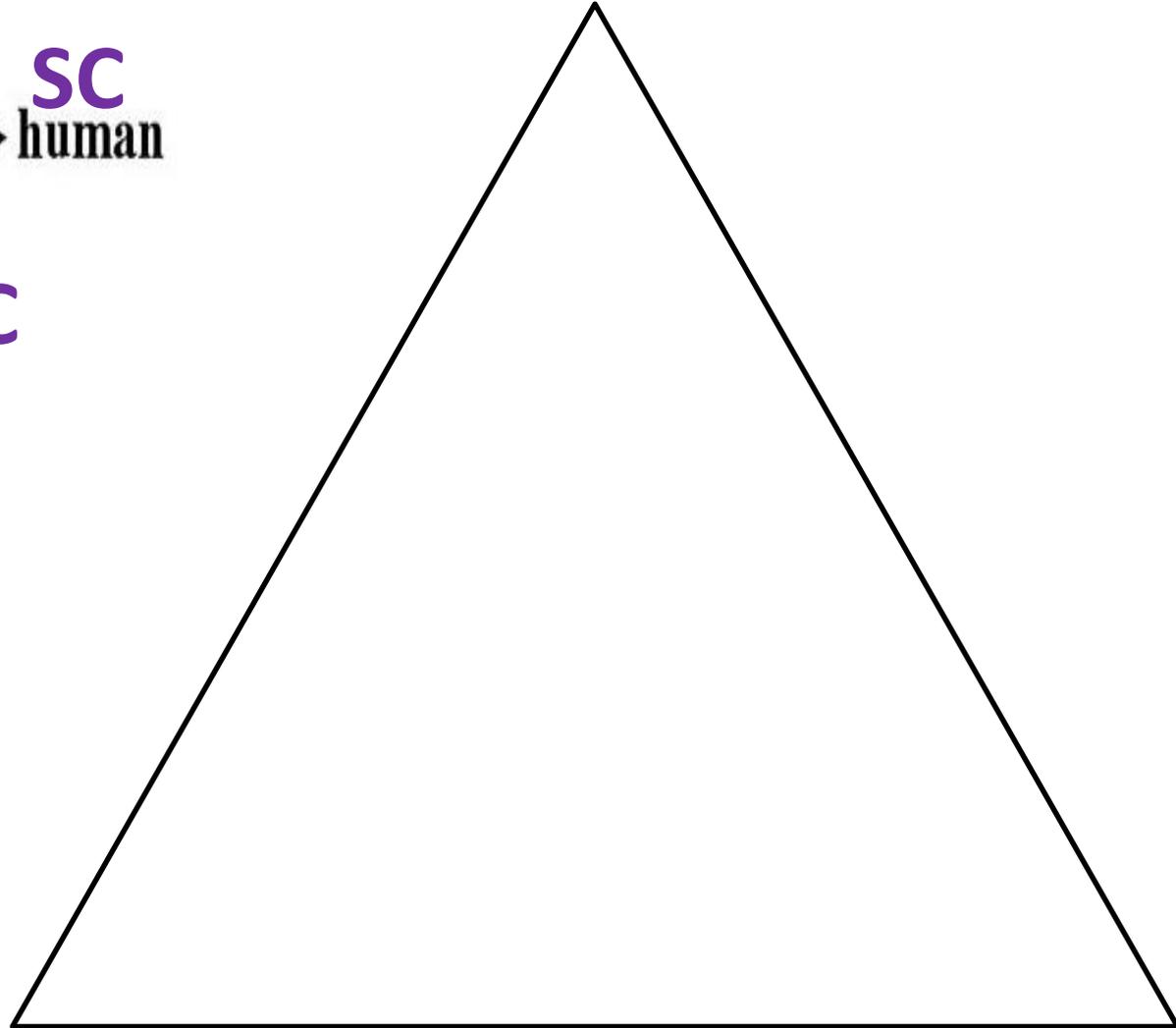
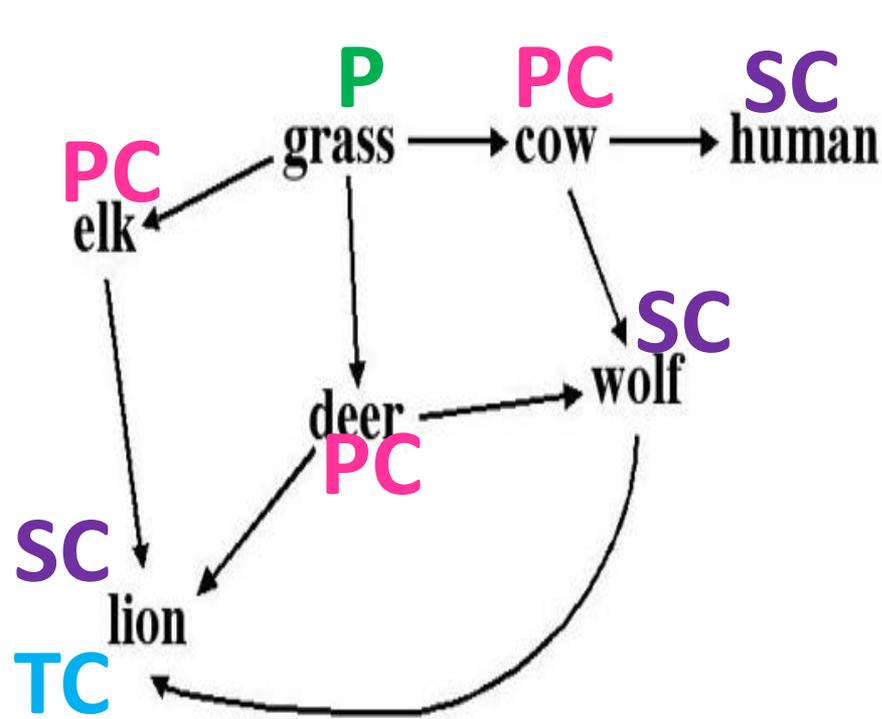
- Create a food pyramid
  - Label the trophic levels needed
  - Place the name of each organism in the appropriate level
  - Label the % of energy available on each level



# You Try

How many level do you need?

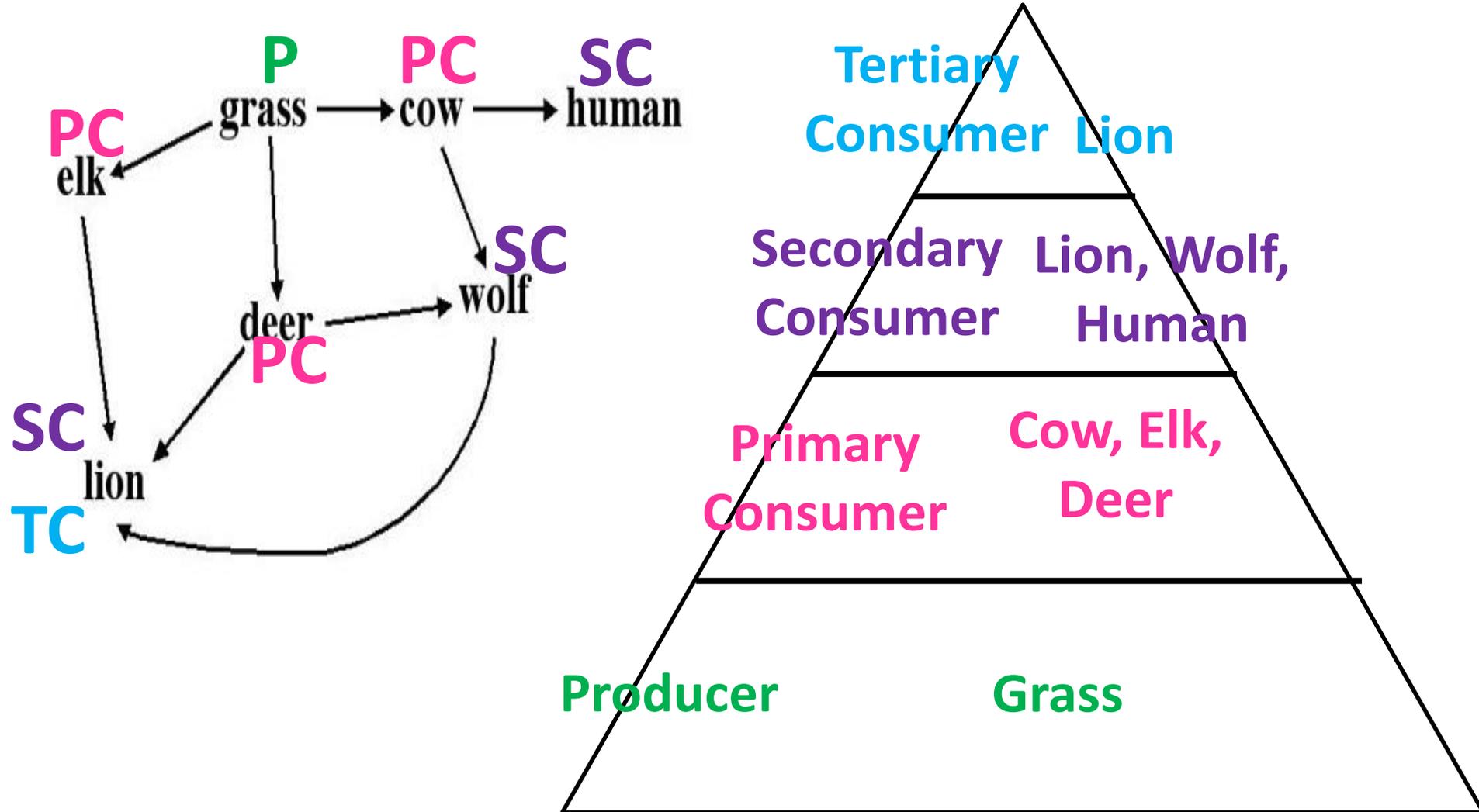
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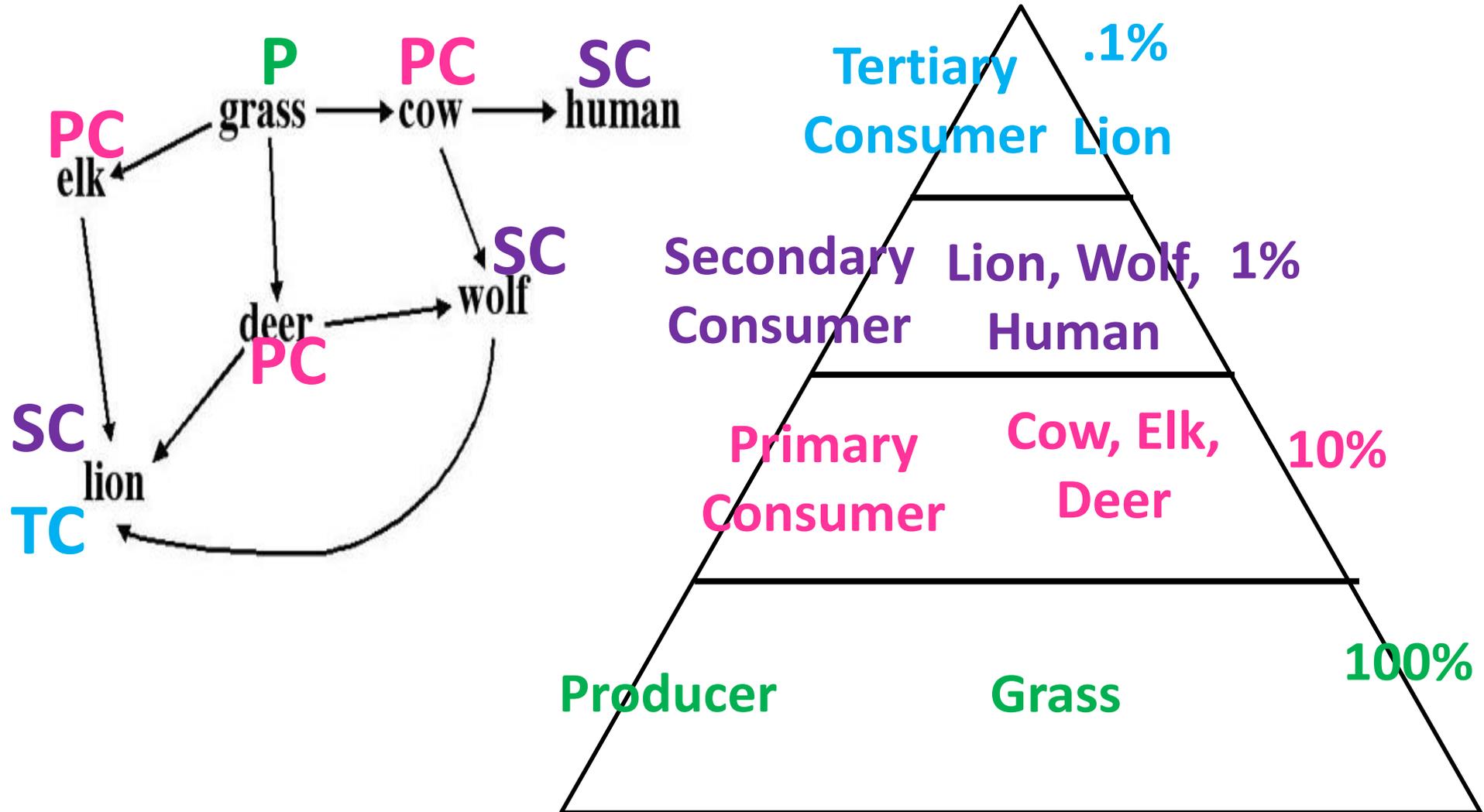
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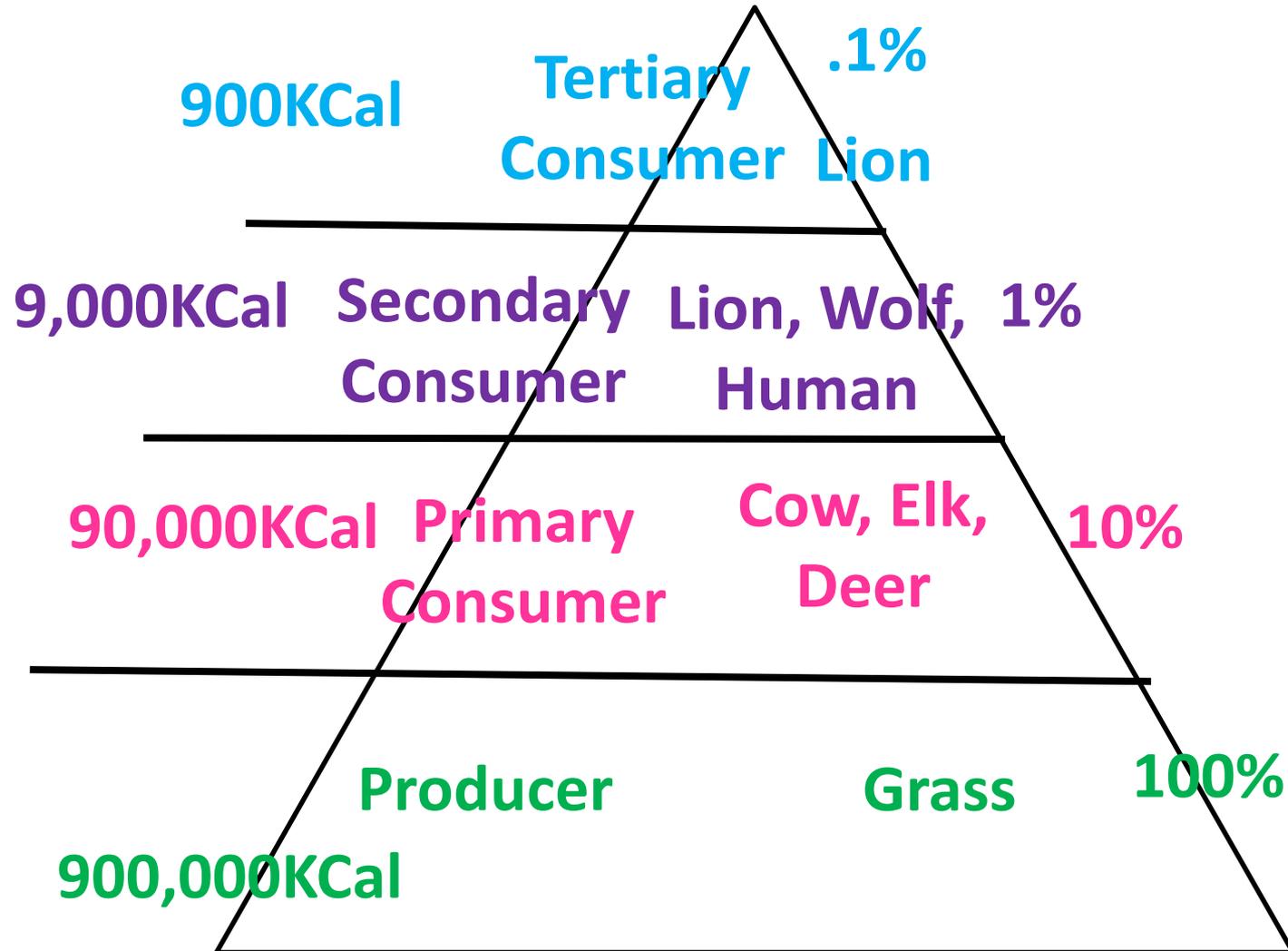
# You Try

- Label the % of energy available on each level



# You Try

- What if the producer level began with 900,000kcal



# You Try

- Identify 1 food chain found in the web.

