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### The ABCs of Forest Ecology ♦ Student Worksheet

*Thank you for exploring forest ecology at Oredson-Todd Woods!*

Ecosystems are everywhere, not just in wild places, and then can be very large or very small. For this activity, you can choose to make observations about your room, your home, your yard, your street, your neighborhood, or a local park -- each of these places has its own ecosystem! If you choose to observe an ecosystem outside of your home, make sure that you have permission and supervision from an adult.

Begin by writing or drawing a description of the ecosystem you have chosen in the first box.

Next, use words to add the definitions of *abiotic*, *biotic*, and *cultural* factors to the table below.

Finally, look around you and write or draw three examples of each kind of factor in the table.

My ecosystem:
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	Abiotic	Biotic	Cultural
Definition			
Example 1			
Example 2			
Example 3			