

Food Chain Fact Sheet

All the plants and animals of our rivers need energy to live and are dependent on one another to get this energy.

Plants get their energy from the **sun** (via a process called photosynthesis)

When an animal eats, it gets its' energy from the food it eats (whether plant or animal).

A food chain shows how plants and animals get their energy and the direction the energy is moving (what eats what)

A food chain starts with a producer (an organism that makes its own food)

A living thing that eats other plants and animals is called a consumer

