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**LESSON 3**

**Key Concept Builder**

***Communities***

**Key Concept** What defines a community?

**Directions:** *Put a check mark under the column(s) that each item describes.*

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| **Description** | **Habitat** | **Niche** |
| **1.** The place within an ecosystem where an organism lives |  |  |
| **2.** Provides the resources an organism needs |  |  |
| **3.** The ways an organism uses resources |  |  |
| **4.** Shared by many species of organisms |  |  |
| **5.** Usually unique to a species |  |  |
| **6.** Helps species survive |  |  |

**Directions:** *Respond to each statement on the lines provided.*

**7. Write** a definition of *community.*

**8. Explain** how it is possible for different species to survive in the same habitat.

**9. Identify** two organisms that have different niches in the same habitat.

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