



Oxford City Schools

Proficiency Scale

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GRADE LEVEL: 9 COURSE NAME: Biology
MEASUREMENT TOPIC: Maintain Biodiversity

4	<p>In addition to Score 3, the student makes in-depth inferences and applications.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Predict the cause, impact and consequences of reduced biodiversity on a specific ecosystem.
3	<p>The student can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Argue from evidence to support the claim that ecosystem characteristics contribute to resilience and stability, including ecological succession and recovery from disturbance.• Evaluate data to describe human impact on various Alabama ecosystems.
2	<p>The student can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Compare primary and secondary succession• Explain how Alabama biodiversity contributes to ecosystem services• Describe and categorize examples of ecosystem services
1	<p>With help, a partial understanding of some of the simpler details and processes and some of the more complex ideas and processes.</p>

Key Vocabulary: