

ecosystem[ˈi:kə(v),sɪstəm] *n* *биол.*

экосистема, экологическая система; биогеоценоз

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ecosystem**eco·sys·tem** [**ecosystem ecosystems**] *BrE* [ˈi:kəʊsɪstəɪn] *NAmE*[ˈi:kəʊsɪstəɪn] *noun*

all the plants and living creatures in a particular area considered in relation to their physical environment

Collocations:**The environment***Environmental damage***cause/contribute to** climate change/global warming**produce** pollution/CO2/greenhouse (gas) emissions**damage/destroy** the environment/a marine ecosystem/the ozone layer/coral reefs**degrade** ecosystems/habitats/the environment**harm** the environment/wildlife/marine life**threaten** natural habitats/coastal ecosystems/a species with extinction**deplete** natural resources/the ozone layer**pollute** rivers and lakes/waterways/the air/the atmosphere/the environment/oceans**contaminate** groundwater/the soil/food/crops**log** forests/rainforests/trees*Protecting the environment***address/combat/tackle** the threat/effects/impact of climate change**fight/take action on/reduce/stop** global warming**limit/curb/control** air/water/atmospheric/environmental pollution**cut/reduce** pollution/greenhouse gas emissions**offset** carbon/CO2 emissions**reduce** (the size of) your carbon footprint**achieve/promote** sustainable development**preserve/conserve** biodiversity/natural resources**protect** endangered species/a coastal ecosystem**prevent/stop** soil erosion/overfishing/massive deforestation/damage to ecosystems**raise** awareness of environmental issues**save** the planet/the rainforests/an endangered species*Energy and resources***conserve/save/consume/waste** energy**manage/exploit/be rich in** natural resources**dump/dispose of** hazardous/toxic/nuclear waste**dispose of/throw away** litter/(*especially BrE*) rubbish/(*especially NAmE*) garbage/(*NAmE*) trash/sewage**use/be made from** recycled/recyclable/biodegradable material**recycle** bottles/packaging/paper/plastic/waste**promote/encourage** recycling/sustainable development/the use of renewable energy**develop/invest in/promote** renewable energy**reduce** your dependence/reliance on fossil fuels**get/obtain/generate/produce** electricity from wind, solar and wave power/renewable sources**build/develop** a (50-megawatt/offshore) wind farm**install/be fitted with/be powered by** solar panelsExample Bank:

- Islands often support delicate ecosystems that evolved without any need for defence.

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all the animals and plants in a particular area, and the way in which they are related to each other and to their environment ⇒

ecology

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THESAURUS

- **the environment** the air, water, and land on Earth, which is affected by man's activities: We need to do more to protect the environment. | How much does air travel damage the environment?
- **ecosystem** *technical* all the animals and plants that exist in a place, considered as a single system with parts that depend on each other: the island's fragile ecosystem | The rapid decline in the number of great sharks is disrupting the marine ecosystem.
- **habitat** the natural home of an animal or plant: The tree can grow to be 120 feet tall in its natural habitat.
- **the biosphere** *technical* the Earth's surface and atmosphere where animals and plants can live: Scientists are monitoring changes in the global biosphere.
- **ecology** the scientific study of the way in which the animals, plants, and natural features of a place affect and depend on each other: She's studying marine ecology.
- **green** *adjective* [only before noun] relating to the environment or to protecting the environment: Voters are becoming more concerned about green issues. | The party is keen to demonstrate its green credentials (=show that it thinks the environment is

important).

- **eco-** *prefix* relating to the environment and protecting the environment: eco-friendly products (=which do not harm the environment) | eco-tourism (=which does not harm the environment) | eco-warrior (=someone who protests to try to save the environment) | eco-sensitive land (=where the environment is easily damaged)

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