

Permaculture design course charts 1-1
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Ethics of Permaculture



Permaculture defined

"Permaculture is the conscious design and maintenance of productive ecosystems which have the diversity, stability and resilience of natural ecosystems."

Permaculture Patterns

- 'once through' ⇒ cycling
- monoculture → polyculture
- consumer → producer
- 'exploit' → co-operate

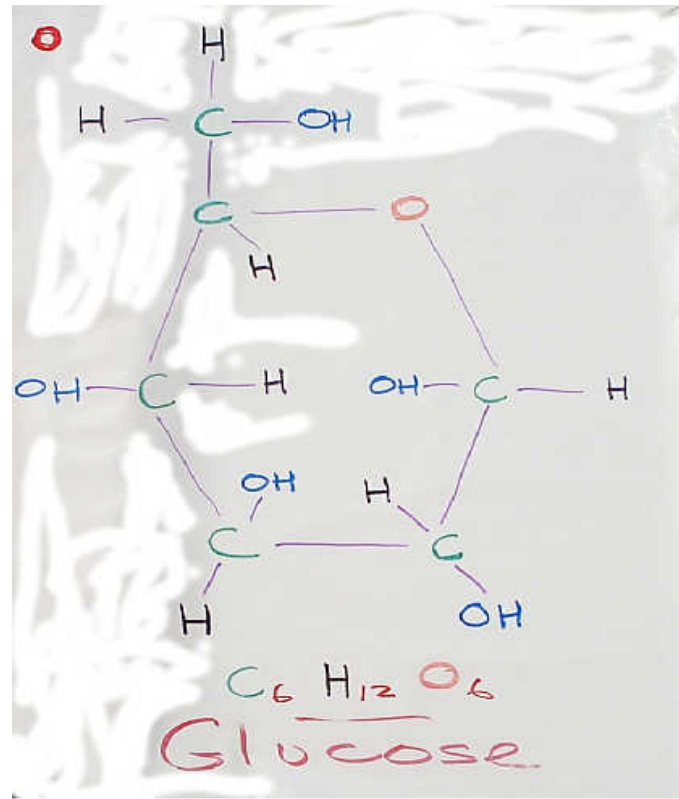
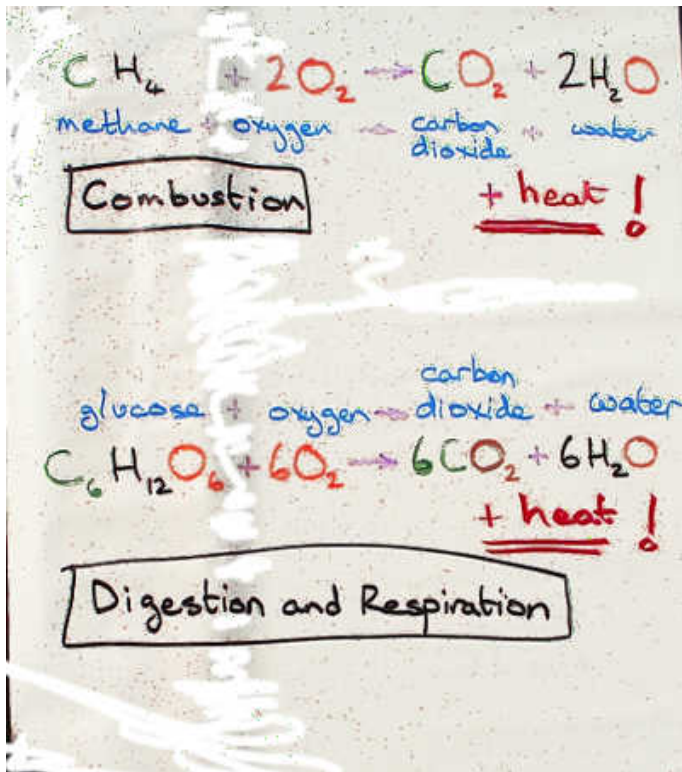
Permaculture Attitude

- work with Nature, not against her
- greatest effect for the least effort
- everything gardens
- the problem is the solution
- yield is unlimited

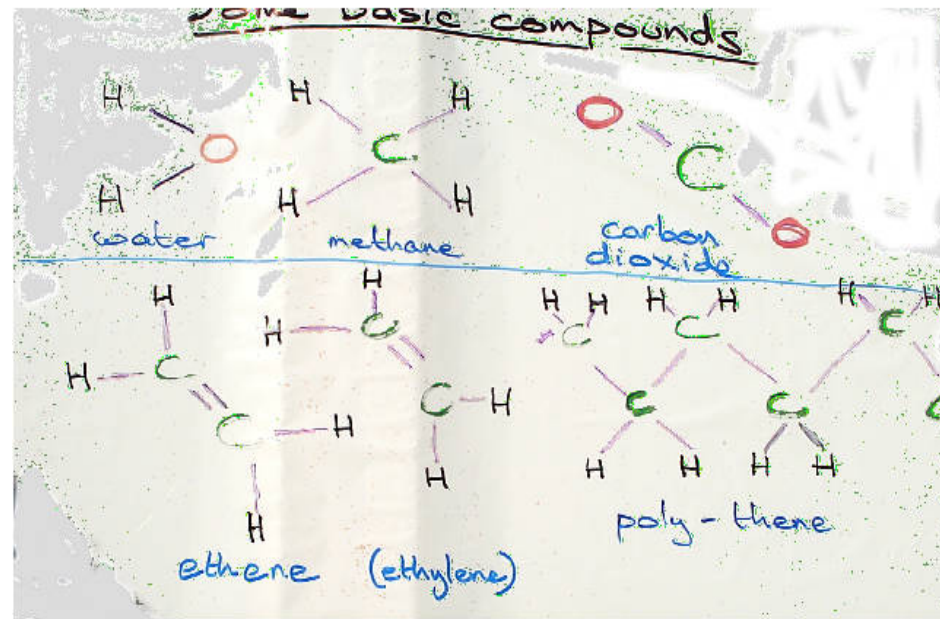
The Prime Directive of Permaculture

The only ethical decision is to take responsibility for our own existence and for that of our children.

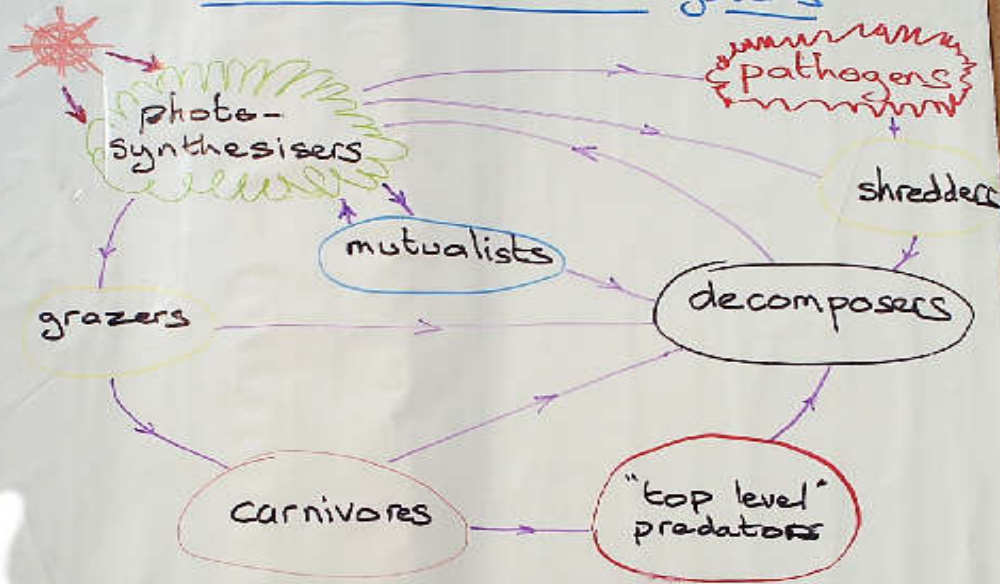
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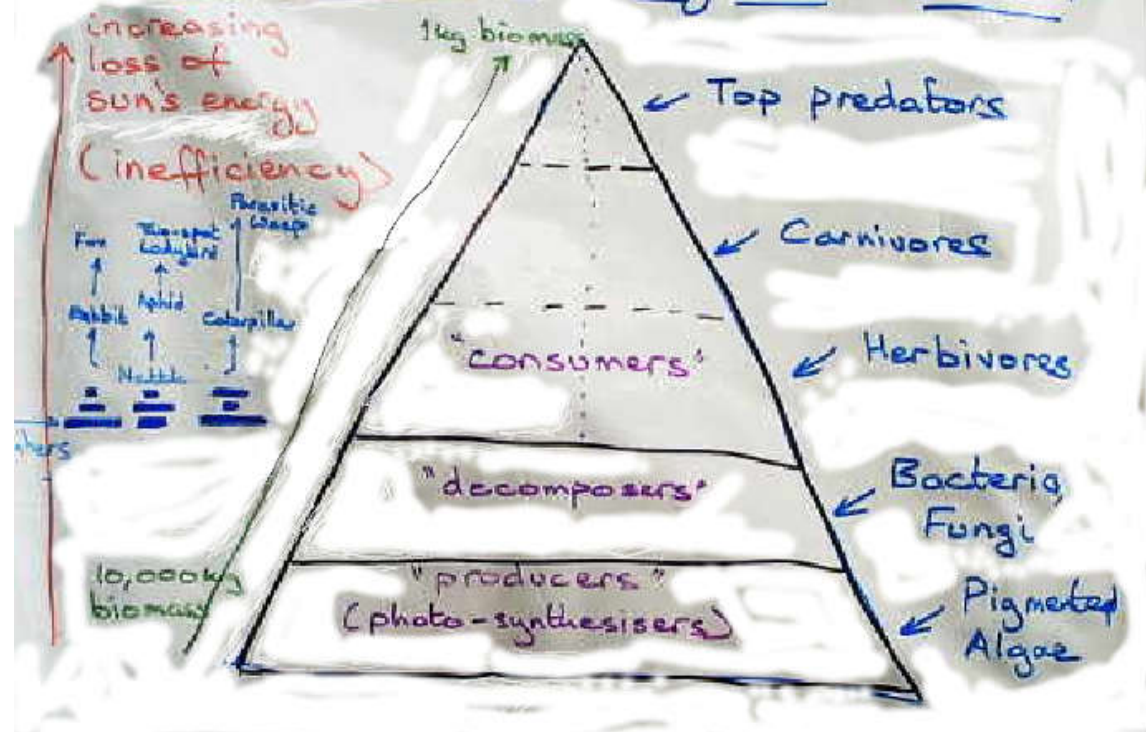
- ### A Farmyard Somewhere
- Getting things in the right place...
- ① Read through the farmer's 'list of journeys' - put a pin in each place on the plan where the farm worker has to turn or stop.
 - ② Follow the full journey - put string round the pins. Measure the length of string.
 - ③ Reposition items on the plan. Repeat above instructions \Rightarrow measure the string again.



Food "web" in Ecosystems



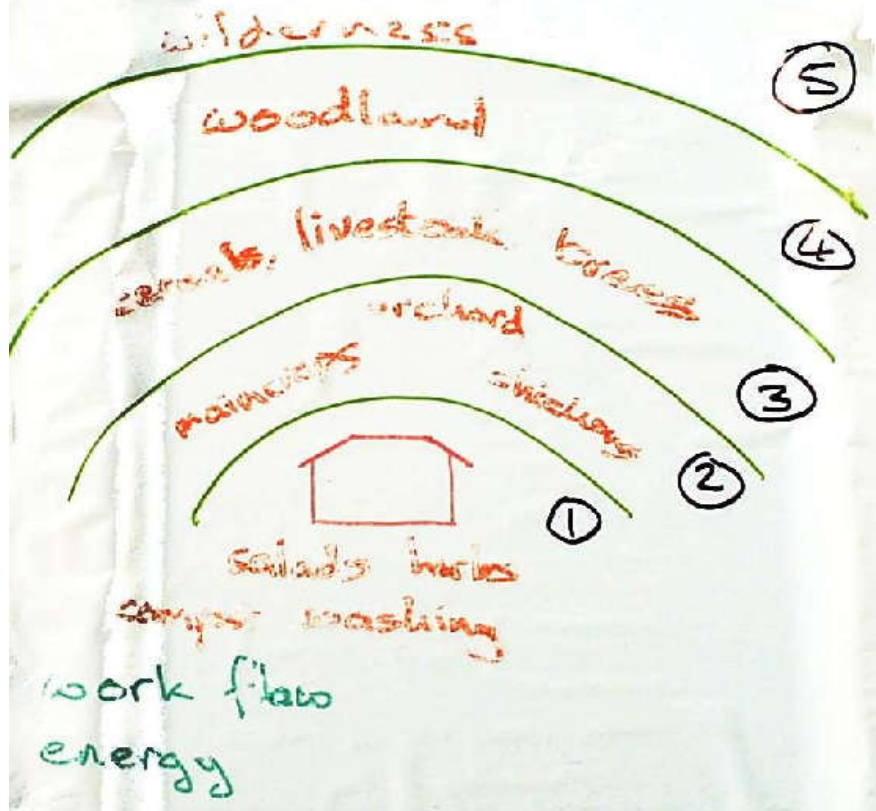
Trophic levels - "Pyramid" model



Zones

Homestead / Farm

- Idealised model



Zones of Ethics and Information

