

Station 3:

Objective: Use the concept of limiting factors to describe why some individuals in a population die before passing on their DNA to the next generation.

Objective: Use the idea of natural selection to predict how and why a population might change appearance or other characteristics over time if its environment changed.

Essential Question: How do organisms interact with changing environments?

Define:

Carrying Capacity: _____

Limiting Factor: _____

Natural Selection: _____

Station Questions: Look at the graph in the station bin to answer the following questions.

1. What happened to the wolf population between points A and B?
 - a. Increased
 - b. Decreased
 - c. Stayed the same
2. What happened to the wolf population between points C and D?
 - a. Increased
 - b. Decreased
 - c. Stayed the same
3. What happened to the wolf population between points D and E?
 - a. Increased
 - b. Decreased
 - c. Stayed the same
4. Describe one possible explanation for the change in wolf population between points B and C.

5. Describe one possible explanation for the change in wolf population between points C and D.

6. What do you think is the carrying capacity of the wolf population? _____

7. Name three potential limiting factors that would stop a wolf population from continuing to grow and grow and grow out of control.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Station 5:

Objective: Identify advantageous traits of organisms for certain environments.

Objective: Explain how biological change/ adaptation is still shaping our world today.

Essential Question: How do organisms interact with changing environments.

Define:

Traits: _____

Adaptation: _____

Variation: _____

Biologically Fit: _____

Look at the pictures in the station bucket and identify what adaptations each organism has to help it survive.

Organism	Adaptation(s) that exists to help it survive

