



How do living things change their environment?

Read the lesson. Complete the chart. Name at least one effect for each cause given.

Cause	Effect
A beaver builds a dam in a river.	
Plants and animals that live in still water are helped by the dam.	
Beaver cuts down trees to build the dam.	
People need to build homes.	
People move to places where animals live.	
Rainwater washes fertilizer into streams and lakes.	
With more algae as food, other living things grow in number and use up oxygen in the water.	



Notes for Home: Your child completed a cause-and-effect chart on changes in environments. Discuss with your child changes in your community over time that have affected the environment.