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Scavengers		clean up waste in their ecosystem		kill their own food
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Predators	animals that stalk kill and eat other animals	chase and catch their food	keen sense of sight and smell; strong limbs and sharp teeth or claws	make their own food
Prey	animals that are chased and eaten by predators	hear and smell predators	often eyes on the side of their heads and large ears	make their own food