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1 High or low biodiversity? >

For each pair of images, identify which one has high biodiversity and which one has low biodiversity.

a)

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b)

c) Explain each of your answers to a) and b).

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2 The importance of biodiversity >>

A housing firm has plans to build new properties on a woodland site. Write a letter explaining to the Company Director how these plans will affect the biodiversity of the area and why it is important to preserve the biodiversity.

3 Investigating biodiversity >>>

We can compare the biodiversity of different areas by estimating the number of different speciesin each area.

One way of doing this is to use a quadrat.

Plan how you would compare an area such as a playing field with an area such as a meadow.

How would you tell from your results which area had the highest biodiversity?