

NITROGEN

- What do you know about nitrogen?
- Essential Questions:
 - 1. How does nitrogen flow through an ecosystem?
 - 2. How is nitrogen relevant to living organisms?

Model the nitrogen cycle:

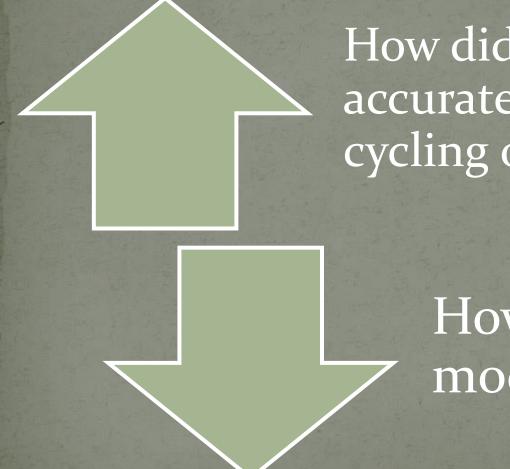
• Pretend that you are a nitrogen molecule. Roll the die at your table and follow the instructions to continue traveling through the nitrogen cycle.

 Document your travels and collect your passport stamps.

Compare and contrast:

- Find a partner.
- Compare the nitrogen pathways that each of you followed. How are they similar? How are they different?

Evaluate the activity:

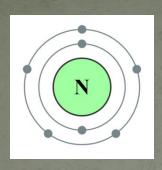


How did this model accurately depict the cycling of nitrogen?

How was this model inaccurate?

Draw Conclusions

- Look at your nitrogen passport paper. Label parts of your travel involving <u>abiotic</u> factors and those involving <u>biotic</u> factors.
- What conclusions can you draw about nitrogen in the environment based on the reading you did yesterday and the activity today?
 - (For example: Nitrogen is important in the environment as evidenced by



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