

Biology Living Environment

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Use a model to illustrate how photosynthesis transforms light energy into stored chemical energy. [HS-LS1-5](#)

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Use models to illustrate how human reproduction and development maintains continuity of life. **HS-LS1-8**

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