

What is a Decomposer?

At home, do it yourself online story-times. Provided by Gumbo Limbo Education staff.

Purpose: Children will be able to identify a type of organism based on it's characteristics.

Define **decomposer:** a small creature that eats everything! They can eat plants, large animals, and everything else! They are usually very small and live on or in the ground. When something dies, the decomposers take over from there. They are known as nature's cleaners for the way they eat dead remains.

Activity: Online Story Time

Book #1 (Ages 3-5): -Wonderful Worms By Linda Glaser, illustrated by Loretta Krupinski
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ccfh7k5TYGM>

Book #2 (Ages 6 and up) The Fungus that Ate My School!!! By Arthur Dorros, Illustrated by David Catrow
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sa-S3z88Kck>