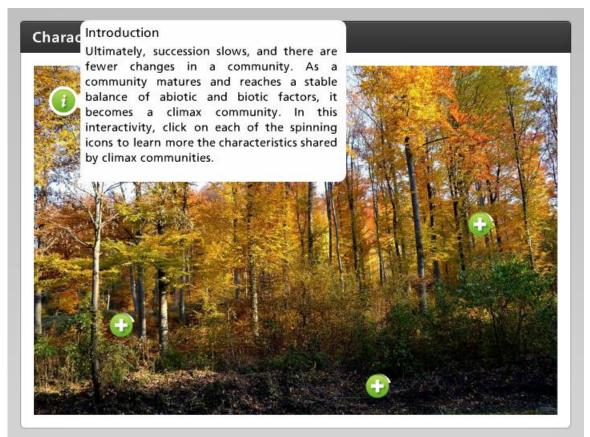
Introduction



Ultimately, succession slows, and there are fewer changes in a community. As a community matures and reaches a stable balance of abiotic and biotic factors, it becomes a climax community. In this interactivity, click on each of the spinning icons to learn more the characteristics shared by climax communities.



High Biodiversity



There is a high level of biodiversity, which forms a complex food web.



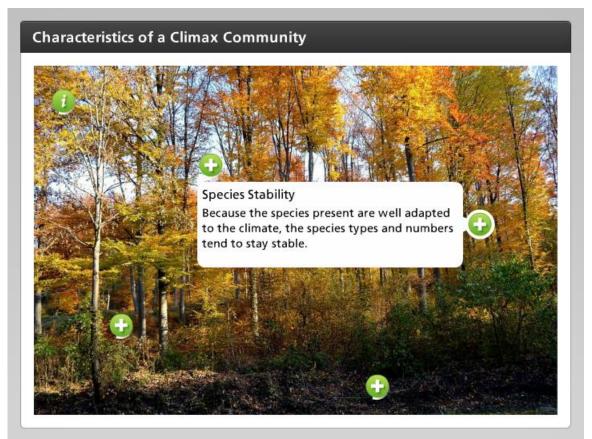
Species/Climate Match



The vegetation present in the community matches well with the climate.



Species Stability



Because the species present are well adapted to the climate, the species types and numbers tend to stay stable.



Energy and Nutrient Cycles



The energy and nutrients cycling in and out of the soil do so in equilibrium.

