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### Who or What Am I Answer Key

1. I have strong winds and can cause a lot of damage. I occur in the tropics between June and November every year. What am I?

■ Hurricane

2. We fly south in the winter. We eat fruit, seeds, insects, and nectar. What are we?

■ Migratory birds

3. I am important to streams. I eat algae in streams and help turn dead matter into small particles. I am having a difficult time returning upstream so I can reproduce. What am I?

■ Shrimp

4. I convert nitrogen from the atmosphere into forms that plants can use such as nitrates and ammonia. What am I?

■ Bacteria

5. I provide nutrients to the soil. A scientist studied many different kinds of me to see how much nutrients each of us provided. What are we?

■ Trees

6. I eat fruit. I help disperse seeds of plants by defecating or spitting out seeds when I am finished eating. What am I?

■ Fruit Bats