

Alabama Course of Study Performance Expectation for Life Science

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Lab 15. Competition for Resources: How has the spread of the Eurasian collared-dove affected different populations of native bird species?	10
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Lab 21. Reaction Rates: Why Do Changes in Temperature and Reactant Concentration Affect the Rate of a Reaction?	10, 10a
Lab 22. Equilibrium: Why Do Changes in Temperature, Reactant Concentration, and Product Concentration Affect the Equilibrium Point of a Reaction?	8
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