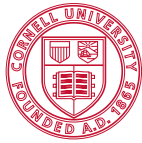


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Introduction: The Goal of this Workbook

You are about to embark on a very interesting journey into the world of Biological Control!

Biological control, or BioControl, is a way for people to protect their plants, animals, and structures from “bad” insect pests that want to eat them or use them for their own benefit. These pests can be common in certain areas, arrive during certain seasons, or be imported accidentally from very, very, far away (even other countries!). Although biological control can be used to control many different kinds of pests (insects, weeds, and disease-causing organisms), we’ll focus on insects. BioControl uses “good” insects (also called Natural Enemies) to get rid of the “bad” pests, usually by eating them.

Use this workbook along with your community garden to learn how to identify “good guys” and “bad guys”. If you find out what to look for, you might even be able to save your plant if “bad guys” get in!

At the end of this project there is a reward for you to unlock, so pay close attention and most importantly, HAVE FUN!

