

Structure and Function in Living Systems

Seedless Plants & the Environment

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In the boxes below, make drawings to show the role that mosses play in the environment. Use Chapter 12, Section 2 of your book to help you.

<p><i>start with bare rocks</i></p>	<p><i>mosses grow on the rocks</i></p>	<p><i>the mosses die, making a thin layer of new soil (dirt) on the rock</i></p>
<p><i>more mosses grow in the soil on top of the rock</i></p>	<p><i>now there is not much soil washed away with erosion, because plants are there</i></p>	<p><i>birds can take the moss and use it in building their nests</i></p>