

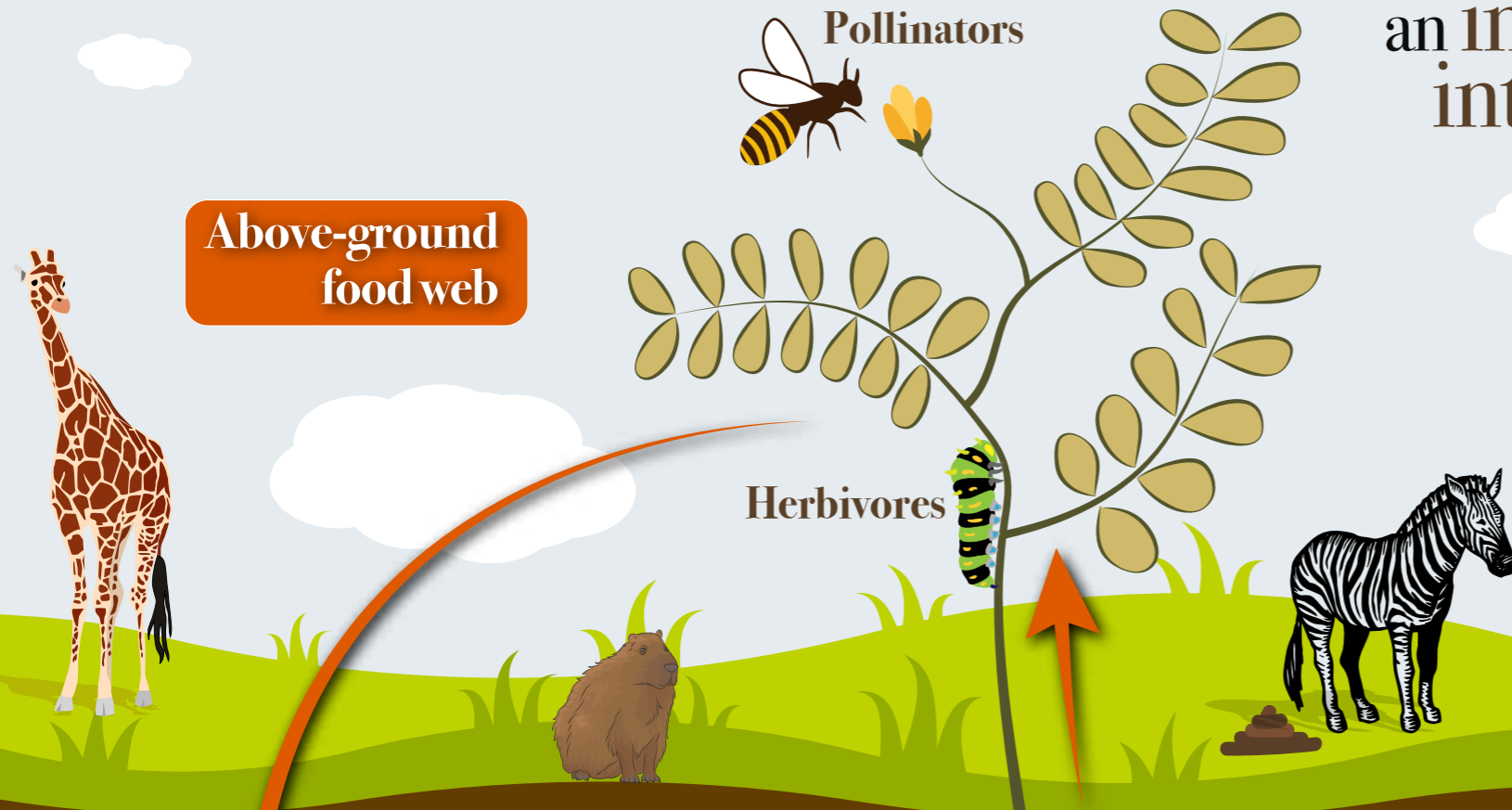


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# Aboveground and belowground biodiversity:

## an inseparable interaction

Above-ground food web



Symbiotic beneficial associations



Pathogenic bacteria

Root feeding

Soil organic matter decomposers

Antagonistic/mutualistic relationships

Litter transformers

Saprophagous macrofauna

Ecosystems engineers

Below-ground food web

