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Our class is a second grade class located at the Ferrisburgh Central School in Ferrisburgh, Vermont. We chose Grover Hill School in Grover Hill, Ohio to compare our "Squares of Life". Our squares were in our school habitat. Our habitat is a former field with trails, trees, shrubs, ground vegetation and a small wooded area.

We saw a lot of similarities between our schools. We started with nonliving data. Both schools indicated mud and damp soil. Our soil is mostly clay. You indicated that your soil is sand. Both areas have small rocks. Your area has a big rock. You also indicated that your



nonliving things were dirty and wet, which probably means you have a lot of rain. It was also very rainy in our area this year.

We noticed in our squares that we had spiders, ants, beetles, a leopard frog, 2 grass snakes, earthworms,

praying mantis, grasshoppers, butterflies and stink bugs. You also indicated that you had beetles, flying bugs, spiders, worms and other insects.

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In our Square of Life, we have a few young ash trees. We also found milkweed, plants, grapevines, wild asters, goldenrod, dogwood plants, mushrooms, burdock, and small bushes. You also indicated that you have some trees, grass, some weeds, plants with thorns and vines. We

wonder what kind of trees do you have?

We hope that other schools will compare their findings with us from their Squares of Life. It was a great experience learning about nature in our habitat and being able to compare it with another school from another state.

