

Comparing Invasive Species

Complete the following chart after reading about invasive species.

Species	Where is it from?	How did it get to the U.S.?	What allowed it to spread?	How does it affect the ecosystem?
Nutria 				
Hemlock Woolly Adelgid 				
Tamarisk 				
European Starling 				
Gypsy Moth 				

1 What is the same about all these species? What is different?

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2 What characteristics do these species have that allow them to spread to new areas?

3 Why are invasive species a problem?
