Where did all the mammals go?

Watch the short video on introduction of rabbits to Australia and answer to following questions. <https://youtu.be/cDVV9aUhZg4>

1. What conditions enabled the European wild rabbits to flourish in Australia and become an invasive species?
2. Describe some of the impacts the European wild rabbits had on the abiotic and biotic factors in the Australian environment?

Read the article “Australian mammals on brink of ‘extinction calamity’” <http://www.bbc.com/news/science-environment-31359188>

1. Redraw your food web from Activity 1 below to reflect the changes observed in the arid zone ecosystem after the introduction of European wild rabbits, feral cat and red fox.

**Extension: Cool Burning**

Watch the Landline, Series 2013, Fire Power 26/05/2013 on Indigenous land management and discuss the following question. <http://www.abc.net.au/tv/programs/landline/old-site/content/2013/s3767527.htm>

1. How do European ideas of nature contrast with Aboriginal views of nature?