

Why, according to the biological species concept, are polar bears (*Ursus maritimus*) and brown bears (*Ursus arctos*) two distinct species?

- A Their coloration differs.
- B Their diets differ.
- C They do not interbreed.
- D They do not compete.

A species is a unit consisting of one or more populations that can interbreed under natural conditions to produce fertile offspring.

Answer **C**.