

Europe's Environmental Issues Match Activity

Directions: Review the information from the Word bank below. Drag the information to the correct environmental issues.

Environmental Issue:	Air Pollution	Acid Rain	Chernobyl, Ukraine
Definition			
Cause			
Effect			

Word Bank:

Air that contains gases, dust, fumes or odor in harmful amounts that could be harmful to the health or comfort of humans and animals or which could cause damage to plants and materials.

Damage to vegetation
Harm to the atmosphere
Harm to humans (lungs, nose, eyes, causing asthma & pneumonia)
Blackens buildings, Harms wildlife

Rainfall made acidic by pollution that causes environmental harm, typically to forests and lakes.

28 to 31 people died; over 300,000 people evacuated
• Animals & fish died and were unsafe to eat for years
• Farmland was destroyed causing food shortages
• Those exposed had increased rate of cancer

Occurs when factories' smoke or vehicles' exhaust containing sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides go up into the atmosphere and come back down to earth in the form of harmful precipitation. Burning of fossil fuels

Smoke from
Factories/Power stations burning coal
• Vehicle emissions

Unsafe reactor Workers lacked training
• Workers made a mistake while testing the reactor, causing a steam explosion and fires

Nuclear accident to those events that emit a certain level of radiation which could harm people

Harms vegetation/plant life
• Destroyed half of Black Forest
• Damage to lakes, rivers and streams
• Contamination of drinking water
• Damage to buildings and monuments