

# Social Studies-G4

## Scarcity

grown

limited

leak

conserve

choices

earth

natural

replaced

Fill the gaps in the following paragraph.

**Resources** are things that we use. Natural resources come from ..... Many of our natural resources are ..... This means that they will not last forever. Some resources are **renewable**. This means the resource can be replaced or grown. You can plant a new tree when you cut one down. Other resources are not renewable. This means that they cannot be ..... or ..... You can dig coal out of the ground. Once the coal is used, it is gone.



Many of Earth's natural resources are **limited**, but people can help ..... those resources. When you try to **conserve** a natural resource, you use less of it, so it does not get used up so fast. One way that people conserve **fuel**, like gasoline, is by riding a bicycle or walking. This works well when the **distance** is short. We don't have to drive everywhere.



Water is a very important ..... resource. We all need it to live. We can conserve water by making sure that our pipes and faucets do not ..... We can also conserve water by making smart ..... One **choice** is to use the dishwasher and washing machine only when they are full.

Another choice is to turn off the water when you brush your teeth.

We can all make a difference!

Think about the colored words, then match.

Resources

- Can finish

Renewable

- This gives power to run things

Limited

- We need to think wisely about it

Conserve

- space

Fuel

- Like natural, capital, and

human

Distance

- Can be replaced or grown

Choice

- Keep/protect