

Fossil Fuels

For each characteristic listed decide if applies to each of the fuels.

Characteristic	Petroleum	Natural gas	Coal
1. is a fossil fuel			
2. forms from plants and animals			
3. forms only from plants			
4. is a solid			
5. is a liquid			
6. is a gas			
7. is made up of hydrocarbons			
8. is a source of energy			
9. is a nonrenewable resource			
10. is pumped from wells			
11. is separated using fractional distillation			
12. is also called crude oil			
13. is transported long distances through pipes			
14. is mined from Earth			
15. produces polluting substances when burned			
16. produces thermal energy when burned			
17. can be used to produce electricity			
18. is the least polluting fossil fuel			