

Worksheet - 8th grade

Environmental Issues Vocabulary Worksheet

1. Match each term with the correct definition.

A. Greenhouse effect	_____ The process of clearing large areas of forest.
B. Deforestation	_____ Energy sources that are naturally replenished, such as solar or wind.
C. Renewable energy	_____ The variety of different species in an ecosystem.
D. Fossil fuels	_____ The gradual increase in Earth's temperature.
E. Pollution	_____ The trapping of heat in the Earth's atmosphere due to gases like CO ₂ .
F. Climate change	_____ Harmful substances released into the environment.
G. Conservation	_____ The practice of protecting natural resources.
H. Biodiversity	_____ The long-term changes in temperature and weather patterns.
I. Global warming	_____ The use of resources in a way that does not harm future generations.
J. Sustainability	_____ Natural fuels like coal, oil, and gas formed from ancient organisms.

2. Complete the sentences with the **correct vocabulary word**.

1. _____ is one of the main causes of habitat loss for animals.
2. Using _____ like wind and solar power reduces our dependence on fossil fuels.
3. The _____ is a major contributor to rising sea levels.
4. We need to focus on _____ if we want to protect the planet for future generations.
5. The _____ effect is natural, but human activities are intensifying it.