Worksheet - 8th grade

Environmental Issues Vocabulary Worksheet

1. **Match** each term with the correct **definition**.

A. Greenhouse effect
B. Deforestation
C. Renewable energy
D. Fossil fuels
E. Pollution
F. Climate change
G. Conservation
H. Biodiversity
I. Global warming
J. Sustainability

___ The process of clearing large areas of forest.
___ Energy sources that are naturally replenished, such as solar or wind.
___ The variety of different species in an ecosystem.
___ The gradual increase in Earth's temperature.
___ The trapping of heat in the Earth's atmosphere due to gases like CO_2.
___ Harmful substances released into the environment.
___ The practice of protecting natural resources.
___ The long-term changes in temperature and weather patterns.
___ The use of resources in a way that does not harm future generations.
___ Natural fuels like coal, oil, and gas formed from ancient organisms.

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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.

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