

Sustainability Vocabulary Quiz

Match the terms in column B with the definitions in column A.

Column A

1. A federal agency whose mission is to protect human health and the environment

2. A natural form of recycling that occurs when organic material decomposes to form organic fertilizer

3. A previously abandoned industrial site that, once cleaned up, can be repurposed for commercial business use

4. Catching a species at a faster rate than it can reproduce

5. Contractors and architects that have been trained in building facilities that comply with national standards for green construction

6. Does not rely on a finite supply of a resource, does not emit greenhouse gases or contribute to air pollution

Column B

- A. Brownfield site
- B. Composting
- C. Conservation
- D. Environmental Protection Agency
- E. Food miles
- F. Fossil fuels
- G. Green building
- H. LEED
- I. Local source
- J. Overfishing
- K. Renewable energy source
- L. Repurposed food
- M. Sustainability

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7. Fuels that are formed from a plant source or animal remains buried deep in the earth, such as, natural gas, coal, propane and petroleum

8. Food produced in the surrounding growing region

9. The practice of limiting the use of a resource

10. Food that customers did not eat, but the back-of-the-house staff prepared, cooked, cooled and held safely (usually food that was prepared ahead of time but not sold)

11. One that has been designed, built or renovated and reduces the overall impact on the environment

12. The amount of travel that some food products must make to reach consumers

13. The practice that meets current resource needs without compromising the ability to meet future needs
