

Which Resources Are Found in Florida?

Science Words

Say each word quietly to yourself. Then read the meaning.

Read the tip to help you remember.

resource [REE•sawrs] material found in nature that is used by living things

Resource contains the word *source*. A *source* is the place where something begins. *Resources* are sources of materials needed for making things, such as soap and paper.

renewable resource [rih•NOO•uh•buhl REE•sawrs] a resource that can be replaced quickly

Renewable has three parts: *re-* *-new-* *-able*

Renew and *redo* begin the same way. When you *redo* something, you do it again. A *renewable resource* is a resource that can be made new again.

nonrenewable resource [nahn•rih•NOO•uh•buhl REE•sawrs] a resource that isn't replaced easily

Nonrenewable has four parts: *non-* *-re-* *-new-* *-able*

Nonrenewable and *not* begin the same way. A *nonrenewable resource* is not renewable.

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Science Concepts

Read the Ideas more than once. Do your best to remember them.

1. Resources, which are materials found in nature, are used by people, plants, and animals.
2. Renewable resources, such as trees, can be replaced easily and fairly quickly.
3. Conservation is the wise use of resources.
4. Nonrenewable resources are resources that cannot be easily replaced. Coal, oil, and natural gas are nonrenewable resources known as fossil fuels.
5. Because fossil fuels and other nonrenewable resources form so slowly, there is a limited amount of them. Once these resources are used up, they cannot be replaced.
6. Rock, minerals, and soil are also nonrenewable resources.
7. Soil, limestone, and silica are important resources in Florida. Many buildings in Florida are made from limestone; solar panels are made from silica.
8. Some people use Florida's soil to grow oranges, sugarcane, and other crops.
9. Pollution, or harmful materials in the environment, is harmful to resources.
10. Some resources can be reused. Other resources, such as paper, glass, plastic, and metal, can be recycled and made into new products.