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### Vocabulary for Unit 3

Below is a list of vocabulary words that are important for this unit. Make flashcards to help you learn the definition of each term. A helpful online source to make flashcards is <http://quizlet.com/>

Nonrenewable Resource	A natural resource that cannot replenish itself at all <u>or</u> fast enough to meet demands
Renewable Resource	A natural resource that can be replenished
Natural Resource	Anything found in the environment that we use
Fossil fuels	An energy-rich substance (such as coal, oil, or natural gas) formed from the remains of organisms
Greenhouse effect	The trapping of heat near the Earth's surface by certain gases in the atmosphere (for example, carbon dioxide, methane, and nitrous oxide)
Global warming	An average increase in the temperature of the atmosphere near the Earth's surface
Climate change	Any significant change in climate (like temperature, precipitation, or wind) lasting for an extended period of time (decades or longer)
Atmosphere	The gaseous area surrounding the Earth