
1. Biodiversity	the number and variety of living species found in a specific area
2. Biofuels	fuel sources derived from agricultural crops
3. Biome	a plant and animal community covering a large area of the Earth's surface
4. Biosphere	the living part - plants and animals - of the Earth
5. CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora - an international agreement
6. Conservation	managing the environment in order to preserve, protect or restore it
7. Deforestation	the chopping down and removal of trees to clear an area of forest
8. Degradation	the social, economic and environmental decline of an area, often through de-industrialisation
9. Ecosystem	a community of plants and animals that interact with each other and their physical environment
10. Gene pool	the genetic material contained by a specific population
11. Goods	produced items and materials
12. Hydrological Cycle	the global stores of water and linking processes that connect them
13. Ramsar	The Ramsar Convention on Wetlands is an intergovernmental treaty for the conservation and wise use of wetlands
14. Services	those things that are provided, bought and sold that are not tangible
15. Superpower countries	the world's most powerful and influential nations - the USA and, increasingly, China and India
16. Sustainability	the ability to keep something (such as the quality of life) going at the same rate or level.
17. Unsustainable	unable to be kept going at the same rate or level
18. Water table	the level in the soil or bedrock below which water is usually present
19. Wilderness	uncultivated, uninhabited and inhospitable regions
