



## Content Vocabulary: Environment **PROTECT THE PLANET VOCAB KEY**

<i>Vocabulary term</i>	<i>Definition</i>
bioclimate	Concerned with the relationship between climate and living organisms
bio-products	Materials, chemicals and energy derived from renewable biological resources
carbon footprint	Total amount of greenhouse gas emissions that an individual, group, product, or event emits either directly or indirectly to the environment
downcycle	Recycling that creates new products that are of lesser economic value than the original product
environmentally-friendly	A generic statement often used to designate a product or process that has a reduced ecological footprint when compared to other products/processes
e-waste	Electronic products near the end of their useful life
going green	A lifestyle that consists of reducing an individual's negative impact on the environment
green washing	Marketing scam which makes claims or implies the product or service is environmentally friendly
post consumer waste	Waste produced by the end consumer of a material. The waste produced did not lead to the production of another product
recycle	Process of turning a previously used item into a new product in an effort to reduce waste and reduce greenhouse gas emissions
renewable resource	A resource that can be replenished at a rate equal to, or greater than, its rate of depletion
social responsibility	Ethical or ideological theory that an organization or individual has a responsibility to society. This responsibility can be "negative", meaning there is a responsibility to refrain from acting or it can be "positive," meaning there is a responsibility to act.
sustainability	The capacity to endure. In ecology, the word describes how biological systems remain diverse and productive over time. For humans it depends on the well-being of the natural world and the responsible use of natural resources.
upcycling	Process of recycling in such a way that the new products are of higher economic value