



**What are**

*Natural*

*Resources?*



# Earth's Natural Resources

- Many materials we use every day come from natural resources.
- A **natural resource** is a material from Earth that is useful to people.
- Wood is a natural resource that comes from trees.
- Metal used to make pipes, wires, and even our desks comes from ore.
- **Ore** is a rock that contains metal.
- Natural resources give us food, water, shelter, and clothing. They even provide us with TV and cars!



# Stop and Think

**Where do**

*natural resources*

**come from?**



**Can you think of something  
in this room  
that is made from a natural  
resource?**

# Using Natural Resources

**Plants** are used to make: food, lumber, paper, makeup, medicine, clothing (cotton), and cardboard.

**Animals** are used to make: food, clothing, leather, wool, fertilizer.

**Rocks, soil, and minerals** are used to make: concrete, bricks, salt, jewelry, and glass.

**Oil** is used to make: plastic, fabric, and fuel.

**Water** is used for: bathing, washing, drinking, cooking, and growing food.

**Metals** are used to make: tools, buildings, cars, wiring, tools, and jewelry.

# Renewable Resources

A **Renewable Resource** is a resource that can be replaced by nature.

**Plants** are examples of renewable resources.

Water and air are also renewable resources.



**Water** is renewed through the water cycle everyday!

# Non-Renewable Resources

A **Non-Renewable Resource** is a resource that can't be replaced by nature. These resources can not be replaced, so we must use them carefully.

Metal ores, coal, and oil are examples of non-renewable resources.



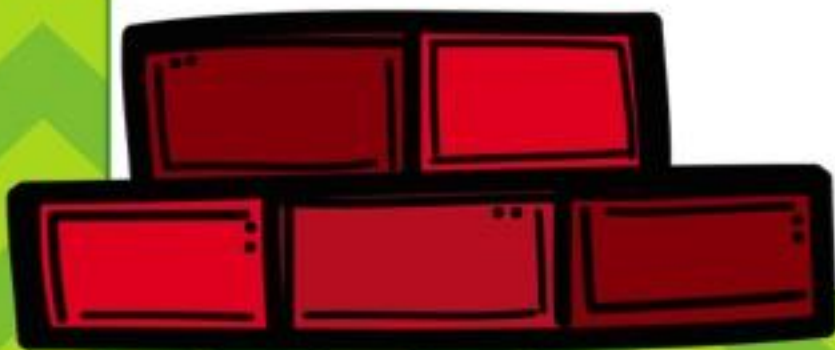
Coal is used to make electricity. Oil is used to help cars and factories run.

# Using Resources

Some things around you are natural, and some things come from natural resources but are made by people.

Plants, rocks, and soil are natural.

Bricks are made by people but come from a natural resource.



# What did we learn?

- **Everything people use comes from natural resources.**
- **Some resources are renewable, they can be replaced.**
- **Some resources are non-renewable, they can not be replaced once they are used up.**
- **People must use resources carefully so that they are not wasted.**

