Natural Resources

Keywords	
Natural resources	Materials that exist in the natural environment that are useful to humans. Most natural resources are unevenly distributed and exhaustible.
Exhaustible / non-renewable	A material that is exhaustible will run out and not last forever. It is non- renewable.
Consumption	The action of using a resource.
Abundance	A large quantity of a material.
Scarcity	A short supply of a material.
Fossil fuels	Coal, oil and gas. These are formed from the remains of plants and animals, that are changed into fossil fuels by millions of years of heat and pressure. They are non-renewable, exhaustible sources of energy
Renewable	A material that will keep being generated, such as fish and forests. (Renewable resources can become exhaustible without careful management.)
Lucrative	Making lots of money.
Extraction	The removal of something, such as a natural resource.
Mining	The process of taking a natural resource out of the ground. It usually refers to the extraction of metals, stones and coal.







coal

gas

oil

copper



Oil

Coal

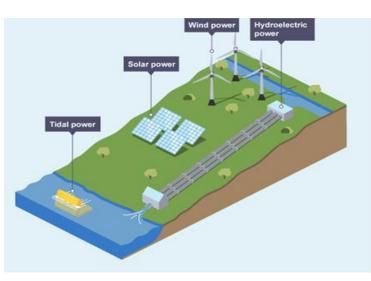
Iron ore

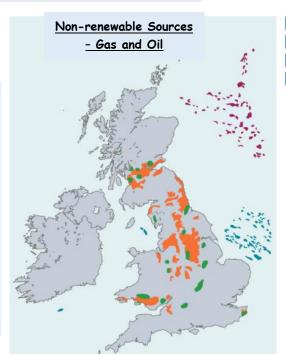
Natural gas

iron



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