

## PLANTS for Food and Fiber UNIT TEST

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*Class***Plant structures and Life Processes**

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  - B. respiration
  - C. weathering
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19. Plants are also used for fuel. Using plants for fuel is not very efficient. The reason for this is because ...
- A. **it costs too much to convert the plant to fuel**
  - B. **a large amount of energy is needed to grow the plant**
  - C. **a lot of the energy is unable to be used**
  - D. **It is not very economical to grow plants for fuel**
20. Destruction of many of the native species, in the grassland regions, was caused by ...
- A. **grassland fires**
  - B. **lightning strikes**
  - C. **conversion to forests**
  - D. **conversion to cropland**
21. Proper forestry practices can increase the diversity of species in the forest. This is possible because careful cutting can ...
- A. **remove habitat**
  - B. **reduce excess light**
  - C. **increase light and air**
  - D. **Increase species numbers**
22. Foresters, who harvest forests for the many products they provide, must follow certain regulations in order to keep this resource healthy and renewable. These regulations are established by people who ...
- A. **employ logging companies**
  - B. **manage forest resources**
  - C. **study harvesting effects**
  - D. **live in the forest ecoregion**

**Soil is an important resource that human activity can protect or degrade**

23. Soil is a natural resource. The components of soil include organic matter and minerals. When soil contains partly decayed organic matter it is called ...
- A. **clay**
  - B. **sand**
  - C. **humus**
  - D. **vegetative**
24. This type of soil has mostly minerals and does not retain moisture very well ...
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  - C. **loam**
  - D. **sediment**
25. Good healthy soil contains soil-dwellers and decomposers. The four main types of decomposers are ...
- A. **bacteria, fungi, earthworms, actinomytes**
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26. When earthworms are moving through the soil they eat it, grind it, digest it and mix it. Their mucus helps stick the particles together and their tunnels provide ...
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**S The ways that plants are grown are related to needs, technology and the environment**

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  - B. **hydrogenerate**
  - C. **hydroponic**
  - D. **hydrolysis**
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- A. **salt**
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