**Renewable Energy Today**

**I. Solar Energy**

**1. Define the term renewable energy**.

Renewable Energy -

**2. Directly, or indirectly, where does nearly all energy on Earth come from?**

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**3. Define the term passive solar home.**

Passive Solar Home -

**4. Towards which direction should a person put large windows on a house? Why?**

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**5. What are five other alterations to consider when building a passive solar home?**

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**6. Define the term active solar heating.**

Active Solar Heating -

**7. Why do solar cells not meet all electrical energy needs?**

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**II. Wind Power**

**1. What is a wind farm?**

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**2. How many houses can be powered by a single, large wind turbine**? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**3. What are two problems with utilizing wind power electricity?**

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**III. Biomass Fuel**

**1. Define the term biomass fuel.**

Biomass Fuel -

**2. What are four negative effects of using wood fuel as an energy source?**

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**3. Why is ethanol gasoline (gasohol) an environmentally better automobile fuel choice?**

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**IV. Hydroelectricity**

**1. Define the term hydroelectric power.**

Hydroelectric Power -

**2. List the steps of how a hydroelectric power plant operates.**

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**3. List four benefits and disadvantages of hydroelectric dams.**

Benefits Disadvantages

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**4. Which three countries use tidal-powered electricity extensively?**

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**5. Why are tidal power plants not a major energy source used widely?**

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**V. Geothermal Energy**

**1. Define the term geothermal energy.**

Geothermal Energy -

**2. Which country relies on geothermal energy more than any other energy resource?**

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**3. How does a geothermal heat pump heat and cool a house?**

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Cooling : \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**VI. Hydrogen Fuel**

**1. What are two by-products of burning hydrogen?**

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**2. Why is hydrogen fuel not yet used widely?**

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**3. Define the term fuel cell.**

Fuel Cell -

**4. What are three fuel sources of fuel cells?**

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**VII. Energy Efficiency**

**1. Define the term energy efficiency.**

Energy Efficiency -

**2. Approximately how efficient are automobiles?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ %

**3. Why has the design of automobile engines not changed much since 1900?**

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**4. How does a hybrid car operate?**

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