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Definition	Term
This is waste gas is a product of combustion that is	Carbon Dioxide
also one of the greenhouse gasses.	
This is the thin region of soil, water and air that	Biosphere
supports all of the life on earth.	
These are energy-rich carbon-based compounds	Fossil Fuels
that can be easily combusted. Examples of these	
compounds are gasoline and coal.	
This is a natural feature that absorbs carbon	Carbon Sink or Carbon Reservoir
molecules.	
Excessive amounts of greenhouse gasses cause this	Greenhouse Effect
intensified heating of the atmosphere.	
When this period of human history started, around	Industrial Revolution
1800, the invention of machinery that used fossil	
fuel produced enormous increases in productivity.	
Pollution released during industrial processes	Emissions
The biological process by which plants and algae	Photosynthesis
convert sunlight into useable food	1 hotosynthesis
A condition of rapid climate change on earth	Global Warming
caused in part by pollution from human industrial	
practices.	
This is something that allows things to happen.	Energy
Chemicals in the form of gas that are responsible	Greenhouse Gas
for intensified heating of the earth, such as Carbon	
Dioxide	
This is the process of transformation of carbon	Carbon Cycle
molecules.	
The process of breaking apart organic molecules	Combustion
under high heat and pressure, such as gasoline in a	
motor	
The local system of temperature and precipitation	Weather Pattern
experienced within an ecosystem	
The process of taking up carbon-based pollutants,	Carbon Sequestration
usually associated with plants	
The shifting patterns of weather and temperature	Climate Change
experienced by the earth	
Light energy that is not visible to the eye that is	Infrared Rays
responsible for heating of the atmosphere	

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