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| **MODULE 2** | **CYCLICAL NATURE** |
| **PART 3** | **Sustainability of the natural resources (sustainability; responsible use)** |
| **Lesson 1** | **Writing research report on the sustainability of natural resources ; Presenting a report** |

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# 1. COURSE TIME, TARGET AND TOPIC

* **Age of target students:** 15+
* **Teaching time:** 2 hours
* **Disciplines:** Biology; literature ; civics
* **Title:** **Sustainability of the natural resources**

# 2. COURSE OBJECTIVES

## Competences promoted in this lesson:

* Communication in foreign languages competency
* Digital competency
* Learning to learn competency
* Social and citizenship-related competencies

## Lesson objectives:

* Students learn to write research reports regarding how natural resources are sustained.

# 3. LEARNING – TEACHING PROCESSES

There are 5 activities in this lesson:

1. **EXPLORE: Choose a Natural Resource ; Define Sustainability**
2. **ENGAGE:** **Conduct Research**
3. **EXPLAIN: Organize Your Report ; Cite Your Sources**
4. **EVALUATE: Review and Edit ; Recommended Resources**
5. **EXTEND:** **Present a Research Report on Natural Resource Sustainability**

# 4. EVALUATION

The evaluation is described in the last part of document.

# 5. DOCUMENTS

**Sustainability of Natural Resources**

Writing a research report on the sustainability of natural resources requires careful planning, research, and clear presentation of information. Follow these steps to develop a well-structured and informative report.

### EXPLORE

### *Choose a Natural Resource*

**1. Choose a Natural Resource**

* **Examples:** Water, forests, fossil fuels, minerals, soil, or renewable energy sources like solar or wind energy.
* **Tip:** Select a resource that interests you and has available research materials.

**2. Define Sustainability**

* **Research the concept:** What does sustainability mean in the context of natural resources?
* **Key aspects to include:** Long-term availability, responsible use, and how human activities affect the resource.

### ENGAGE

### *Conduct Research*

**3. Conduct Research**

* **Find reliable sources:** Use books, academic articles, and credible websites (like government or environmental organizations).
* **Consider these factors:**
	+ How is the resource currently used?
	+ Is the resource renewable or non-renewable?
	+ What are the environmental impacts of using this resource?
	+ What are current practices to ensure its sustainability?

### EXPLAIN

### *Organize Your Report*

**4. Organize Your Report**

* **Introduction:**
	+ Define the natural resource.
	+ Explain the importance of its sustainability.
* **Body:**
	+ **Section 1:** Describe how the resource is used and its role in society.
	+ **Section 2:** Analyze the current status of the resource (Is it being depleted or sustainably managed?).
	+ **Section 3:** Discuss environmental, economic, and social impacts.
	+ **Section 4:** Explore solutions and future strategies for sustainable management (e.g., policies, technologies).
* **Conclusion:**
	+ Summarize the findings.
	+ Suggest actions for improving sustainability.

**5. Cite Your Sources**

* **Use appropriate referencing style** (e.g., APA, MLA) for all the sources you use.
* Include a bibliography or works cited section at the end of your report.

### EVALUATE

### *Reviewing and editing*

**6. Review and Edit**

* **Check your content** for clarity, accuracy, and flow.
* **Proofread** for grammar, punctuation, and spelling errors.
* **Ensure your arguments** are well-supported by evidence from your research.

By following these steps, you can create a research report that thoughtfully analyzes the sustainability of natural resources and provides insights into how we can manage them responsibly for the future

**Recommended Resources**

1. **Community, Natural Resources, and Sustainability: Overview of an Interdisciplinary and International Literature:**
	* [**This article provides a comprehensive overview of community-based natural resource management and its role in sustainability1**](https://www.globalreporting.org/media/mlkjpn1i/gri-sasb-joint-publication-april-2021.pdf)**.**
2. **Natural Resources, Human Mobility, and Sustainability: A Review and Research Gap Analysis:**
	* [**This review explores the interconnections between natural resources, human migration, and sustainability, highlighting key research gaps2**](https://aplanet.org/resources/sustainability-report/)**.**
3. **Scientific Literature Analysis on Sustainability with the Implication:**
	* [**This source analyzes documents published on sustainability from 1970 to 2020, offering insights into publication trends and key themes3**](https://instituteofsustainabilitystudies.com/insights/guides/how-to-write-sustainability-reports/)**.**

### EXTEND

## How to Present a Research Report on Natural Resource Sustainability

1. **Understand Your Audience:**
	* Audience: Know who you are presenting to (e.g., classmates, teachers, or a community group) and tailor your presentation to their level of understanding and interest.
2. **Prepare Your Content:**
	* Key Points: Identify the main points you want to convey, such as the importance of sustainability, key findings from your research, and recommendations.
	* Visual Aids: Use slides, charts, graphs, and images to make your presentation more engaging and easier to understand.
3. **Create an Outline:**
	* Introduction: Start with an introduction that includes your research question or thesis, and why the topic is important.
	* Body: Organize the body of your presentation into clear sections, such as background information, methodology, findings, and discussion.
	* Conclusion: Summarize your main points and suggest areas for further research or action.
4. **Design Your Slides:**
	* Clarity: Keep slides simple and uncluttered. Use bullet points, short sentences, and large fonts.
	* Visuals: Include relevant images, graphs, and charts to illustrate your points. Make sure they are high quality and easy to read.
	* Consistency: Use a consistent design theme throughout your slides.
5. **Practice Your Presentation:**
	* Rehearse: Practice your presentation multiple times. Time yourself to ensure you stay within any time limits.
	* Feedback: Present to a friend or family member and ask for feedback on clarity, pacing, and engagement.
6. **Engage Your Audience:**
	* Eye Contact: Maintain eye contact with your audience to keep them engaged.
	* Body Language: Use confident and open body language. Avoid reading directly from your slides or notes.
	* Interaction: Ask questions or include interactive elements to involve your audience.
7. **Use Effective Communication Techniques:**
	* Clear Speech: Speak clearly and at a moderate pace. Avoid using jargon or complex terms without explanation.
	* Emphasis: Use changes in tone and volume to emphasize key points.
	* Pauses: Use pauses to give your audience time to absorb information.
8. **Handle Questions Confidently:**
	* Prepare: Anticipate possible questions and prepare answers in advance.
	* Listen: Listen carefully to each question and take a moment to think before responding.
	* Honesty: If you don’t know the answer, it’s okay to say so. Offer to find out and follow up later.
9. **Conclude Effectively:**
	* Summary: Briefly summarize your main points again.
	* Call to Action: End with a call to action or a thought-provoking statement to leave a lasting impression.

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These steps and resources should help you deliver a compelling and informative presentation on natural resource sustainability. If you have any questions or need further assistance, feel free to ask!

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