



Glossary

Ancestor	person(s) from an earlier generation of your family
Cross section	sample of a larger group
Economy	financial system of interaction and exchange
Extract	remove or take out, especially by effort or force.
Geologist	a scientist who studies rocks and minerals
Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	the total value of goods and services produced in a country during one year
Inherit	receive or be left with (a situation, trait, etc.) from a former owner or generation
Landscape	all the features of an area of land that you can see
Mineral	a substance (such as quartz, coal, petroleum, salt, etc.) that is naturally formed under the ground
Nonrenewable Resources	resources that cannot be replenished (made again) in a short period of time
Overburden	(noun) rock or soil overlaying a mineral deposit
Property	a special quality or characteristic of something
Public Service Announcement (PSA)	a news article or graphic that shares information with the public
Reclamation	the act of returning something to a former, better state
Renewable Resources	resources that are capable of being replenished
Revenue	money that is made by or paid to a business or an organization

Stewardship	As Wyoming citizens, we are stewards entrusted with the responsible development, care, and use of our resources to benefit current and future generations.
Surface Mining	includes strip mining, open-pit mining and mountaintop removal mining, where soil and rock overlying the mineral deposit (the overburden) are removed.
Underground Mining	is a technique used to access ores and minerals in the ground by making tunnels