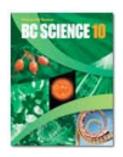
## Section 3.2 How Humans Influence Ecosystems

## Before You Read



## 1. Words to Know

Directions: Match the correct definition to the term on the left. Scan pages 122 – 134 to find the definitions.

,	Words to Know		Definition
	contamination	Α.	the dying out of a species
	deforestation	В.	water and wind erosion remove topsoil from bare land
	extinction	C.	the practice in which forests are logged or cleared for human use and are never replanted
	habitat loss	D.	found in Aboriginal cultures, this reflects human experience with nature gained over centuries
	soil degradation	E.	the ability of an ecosystem to maintain ecological processes; or humans using the resources of an ecosystem to meet our needs today without reducing the function and health of that ecosystem or the ability of future generations to meet their needs
	sustainability	F.	the destruction of habitats that usually results from human activities
	traditional ecological knowledge	G.	the introduction of chemicals, toxins, wastes, or micro-organisms into the environment in concentrations that are harmful to living things

Predicting the Main Ideas of Section 3.2			
Directions: Scan pages 122 – 134 looking at the pictures and titles within the section. Predict six things you think you will learn in this section.			
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