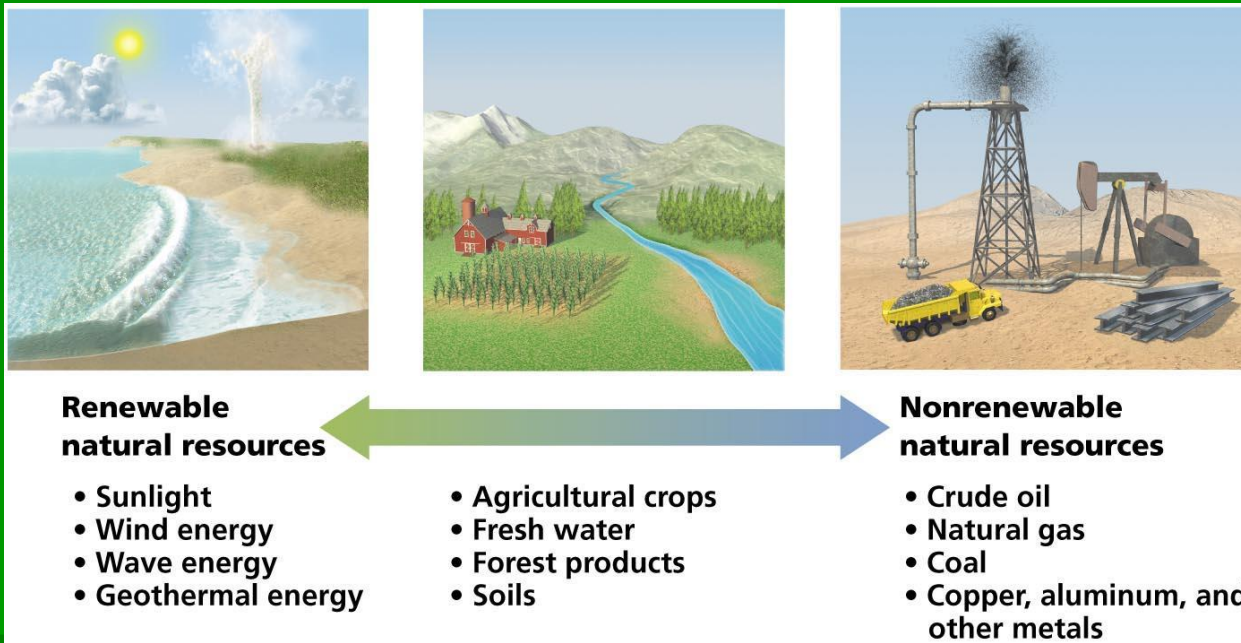


# Natural resources: vital to human survival

Natural resources = substances and energy sources needed for survival



- **Renewable resources:**
  - Perpetually available: sunlight, wind, wave energy
  - Renew themselves over short periods: timber, water, soil
    - These can be destroyed
- **Nonrenewable resources: can be depleted**
  - Oil, coal, minerals