Carbon Cycle Web Game

Summary

Students will explore a web game that identifies sources of carbon and the changes it goes through as it travels the carbon cycle.

Time Frame

1 class periods of 45 minutes each

Group Size

Individual

Materials

computers with Internet access

 student worksheet (attached)

Background for Teachers

This is a good introductory lesson.

Instructional Procedures

Hand out student sheet (attached).

Go over the procedures.

Have students log on to the following website: Carbon Cycle Game

Give students time to work

Discuss analysis questions.

Assessment Plan

Answers:

0.04%

CO2, water vapor, methane & nitrous oxide -- all these molecules vibrate when they absorb heat, they help keep heat in the atmosphere

3%

Photosynthesis is the process by which plants or other autotrophs take water and carbon dioxide and change it into sugar and oxygen

65%

phytoplankton

answers will vary

No, carbon will cycle forever

Answers will vary

More greenhouse gases in the atmosphere

Bibliography

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