

## **Energy Assessment Worksheet**

#### Introduction

Welcome to the Energy Assessment Worksheet! This worksheet is designed to evaluate your understanding of different types of energy, energy transfer and conversion, energy efficiency, and the impact of energy use on the environment. Please read each question carefully and answer to the best of your ability.

## Section A: Multiple Choice Questions

Choose the correct answer for each question.

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- 2. Which of the following is an example of kinetic energy?
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- 3. What is the process called when energy is transferred from one form to another?
  - o a) Energy conversion
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  - o d) Energy conservation
- 4. Which type of energy is associated with the motion of objects?
  - o a) Potential energy
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  - o c) Thermal energy
  - o d) Electrical energy
- 5. What is the term for the ratio of useful energy output to total energy input?
  - o a) Energy efficiency
  - o b) Energy effectiveness
  - o c) Energy productivity
  - o d) Energy conservation

Section B: Short Answer Questions
Answer each question in complete sentences.
1. Describe the difference between renewable and non-renewable energy sources. (5 marks)
Explain how energy is transferred from one form to another in a hydroelectric power plant. (10 marks)
3. What are the advantages and disadvantages of using fossil fuels as a source of energy? (10 marks)
4. Define the term "energy efficiency" and provide an example of how it is calculated. (5 marks)
Section C: Essay Question
Choose one of the following essay questions and answer it in complete sentences.
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# Conclusion

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## **Assessment Rubric**

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## Note to Teachers

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# **Extension Activity**

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## **Energy Efficiency in Buildings**

Energy efficiency in buildings is crucial for reducing energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions. There are several strategies that can be implemented to achieve energy efficiency in buildings, including the use of insulation, double-glazed windows, and energy-efficient lighting. Additionally, buildings can be designed to maximize natural light and ventilation, reducing the need for artificial lighting and heating and cooling systems.

## **Example: Green Building Design**

The Bullitt Center in Seattle, Washington, is an example of a green building that has achieved high levels of energy efficiency. The building features a rooftop solar array, a rainwater harvesting system, and a composting toilet system. The building's design also maximizes natural light and ventilation, reducing the need for artificial lighting and heating and cooling systems.

## Renewable Energy Sources

Renewable energy sources are becoming increasingly important as the world transitions away from fossil fuels. Solar energy, wind energy, and hydro energy are all examples of renewable energy sources that can be used to generate electricity. These sources of energy are sustainable and can help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and mitigate climate change.

## Case Study: Solar Energy in Africa

In Africa, solar energy is being used to provide electricity to rural communities. The use of solar energy has improved access to electricity, reduced energy poverty, and promoted economic development. Additionally, the use of solar energy has reduced greenhouse gas emissions and helped to mitigate climate change.

## **Energy Storage and Grid Management**

Energy storage and grid management are critical components of a modern energy system. Energy storage technologies, such as batteries, can help to stabilize the grid and provide backup power during outages. Grid management systems can help to optimize energy distribution and reduce energy waste.

## Example: Energy Storage in California

In California, energy storage is being used to stabilize the grid and provide backup power during outages. The state has set a goal of achieving 100% renewable energy by 2045, and energy storage will play a critical role in achieving this goal. Energy storage technologies, such as batteries, will help to stabilize the grid and provide backup power during outages.

#### Energy Policy and Regulation

Energy policy and regulation are critical components of a modern energy system. Energy policies can help to promote the use of renewable energy sources, reduce energy consumption, and mitigate climate change. Regulations can help to ensure that energy companies operate safely and efficiently.

#### Case Study: Energy Policy in Europe

In Europe, energy policy has played a critical role in promoting the use of renewable energy sources and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. The European Union has set a goal of achieving 32% of its energy from renewable sources by 2030, and energy policy has helped to drive investment in renewable energy technologies.

## **Energy and Sustainable Development**

Energy is critical for sustainable development, as it provides the power needed to drive economic growth, reduce poverty, and promote human development. However, the production and use of energy can also have negative impacts on the environment and human health. Sustainable energy development requires a balance between energy production and environmental protection.

## Example: Sustainable Energy Development in Brazil

In Brazil, sustainable energy development has been promoted through the use of renewable energy sources, such as hydro energy and bioenergy. The country has also implemented policies to reduce energy consumption and promote energy efficiency. Additionally, Brazil has invested in energy infrastructure, including transmission lines and distribution systems, to ensure that energy is delivered safely and efficiently.

## **Energy and Climate Change**

Energy production and use are major contributors to greenhouse gas emissions and climate change. The burning of fossil fuels, such as coal, oil, and gas, releases carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases into the atmosphere, leading to global warming and climate

change. Transitioning to renewable energy sources and improving energy efficiency can help to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and mitigate climate change.

## Case Study: Climate Change in the Arctic

In the Arctic, climate change is having a profound impact on the environment and indigenous communities. Rising temperatures are causing sea ice to melt, leading to changes in ocean currents and ecosystems. Additionally, thawing permafrost is releasing methane, a potent greenhouse gas, into the atmosphere. Reducing greenhouse gas emissions and transitioning to renewable energy sources can help to mitigate climate change and protect the Arctic environment.

#### Conclusion

In conclusion, energy is a critical component of modern society, and its production and use have a significant impact on the environment and human health. Transitioning to renewable energy sources, improving energy efficiency, and promoting sustainable energy development can help to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and mitigate climate change. Energy policy and regulation can play a critical role in promoting sustainable energy development and reducing energy poverty.

#### Reflection

As we conclude this chapter on energy, it is essential to reflect on the importance of sustainable energy development and the role that individuals, communities, and governments can play in promoting a low-carbon future. By working together, we can reduce energy poverty, promote economic development, and protect the environment for future generations.



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