

Vocabulary

Use the vocabulary words and definitions below as reference for this unit.

acid rain rain that has a pH (a measure of acidity in a solution) below that of seven because it carries dissolved acids; this rain causes problems such as water pollution and the rapid corrosion of various substances

bias a preference than can hinder impartial judgement

by-product a product or result of a process that is not the one intentionally sought

economy the system by which money, ownership, and wealth are controlled

grant money awarded for a specific purpose

industry the people and machines used to produce products

peer a person who is on the same level as another; a person with whom you share similar knowledge, background, and goals

society the way people live together, interact, and rely on one another

technology the knowledge, skill, and tools that allow people to perform tasks of increasing complexity