



Natural Resources

Scavenger Hunt

A natural resource is something that is found in nature and can be used by people. Some of Earth's natural resources are: light, air, water, plants/trees, animals, soil, stone, minerals, metals, and fossil fuels.

Directions: Spend a few minutes exploring the Sawmill, and then fill in the blanks:

The natural resource processed at the sawmill was

_____.

The sawmill was powered by

_____.

which is another natural resource.

The sawblade is made of

_____.

which is also a natural resource.

Talk about it: Answer the questions below by talking with a partner or in your group.

Why was wood an important natural resource in Vermont in the 1700's and 1800's?

How are wood and trees used in Vermont today?



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Write, draw, or talk about it:

Name some **natural resources** that you see being used in your home and community (the area where you live).

Give some examples of what was made with those resources, or how they are being used. (Example: soil is used to grow vegetables at a farm.)

Name some **natural resources** you think you will find at the Museum.

What do you think will be made from the natural resources, or how will the resources be used? (Think about what the buildings are made from, what the artwork and historical items are made from, what is growing outside, etc.)



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Scavenger Hunt: Explore the Museum to see how natural resources are used. You may choose one small area to focus on, or you can look for resources on your way to your next workshop.

Resource

What has been created using this resource? How is this resource being used?
List as many examples as you can find!

Wood

Example: The Covered Bridge is made of wood.

Stone

Plants

Animals

Metal

Did you find any other natural resources?
Add them here.