## **Seventh Grade Pre/Post**

## Overview

Pre-test and post test questions are the same. Pre-testing elicits discussion involving predicting outcomes and educated guesses as to cause and effect. This is designed to make the class curious to find the answers. Post-testing asks the same questions as on a pre-test but the students should now be telling and reviewing the knowledge acquired through the activities.

## **Pre/Post Questions**

- 1. What is solar energy?
- 2. What is a non-concentrating solar collector? How does it work?
- 3. What is a concentrating solar collector? How does it work?
- 4. Describe what heliostat does with the solar energy.
- 5. What is a photovoltaic cell? Explain how it works to provide electricity.
- 6. How efficient are photovoltaic cells?
- 7. Are they expensive?
- 8. Do photovoltaic cells produce any adverse effects on the environment? Explain.
- 9. What happens on days that are not sunny?
- 10. What is geothermal energy?
- 11. Where does geothermal energy come from? Explain.
- 12. What three ways do you classify geothermal energy?
- 13. What are the four basic fluid phases of geothermal energy?
- 14. Name the different heat sources which create geothermal energy.
- 15. Is a hot spring a geothermal site? Explain.
- 16. What is the average temperature of geothermal sites?
- 17. Can geothermal reservoirs go on indefinitely? Explain.
- 18. How long does it take to build a geothermal plant?
- 19. Is geothermal energy an efficient form of energy? Explain
- 20. Is it a costly source?
- 21. Would a geothermal plant create any adverse effects on the environment? Explain.
- 22. Where is most of the coal located in Arizona?
- 23. How is it removed from the ground?
- 24. There are four types of coal; name them and list each type of coal's carbon content. Why is carbon content important?
- 25. What are BTUs? Where did the term come from?
- 26. Is coal an efficient energy source? Explain.
- 27. Would a coal plant create any adverse effects on the environment? Explain.
- 28. Before electricity was brought to rural areas, what was an important energy source for farmers?
- 29. How long have windmills been around?
- 30. Can a windmill generate electricity? Explain.
- 31. Why are the new wind turbines more efficient today than windmills?
- 32. Can wind turbines generate enough power to supply a small town?

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- 33. How does the earth produce wind current? Why is it important to know this when building wind turbines?
- 34. Are wind turbines an efficient energy source? Explain.
- 35. Would this type of electricity producer create any adverse effects on the environment? Explain.
- 36. Which energy source would you chose for a new power generation plant? Why?

