The Lorax: Opening Day Assignment.

1. Identify

The commons is the cultural and natural resources accessible to all members of a society, including natural materials such as air, water, and a habitable earth. These resources are held in common, not owned privately.

Identify three commons in the Lorax:

2. Define

Define abiotic and biotic AND identify an example of each from the movie.

3. Compare

Compare how an idea, person (or group of people), or place in the Lorax story equates with a real life situation in present day society.

4. Explain

Explain what a thneed represents.

Name at least 2 modern "thneeds".

5. Clarify

Clarify the role of the Lorax in the movie.

6. Describe

Describe a Truffula tree.

7. Calculate

If a population is 2140001 and it takes .75 trees to make a thneed, how many total Truffula trees are needed to outfit all 2140001 members of the population?

**show your work, cover with a sheet of paper so the next group doesn't copy you \bigcirc

8. Create, Mitigate

Using your knowledge of what happens to common spaces, create a plan that would mitigate the overuse of the Truffula trees.

9. Interpret

In the last part of the book, the Lorax uses the word "unless". What does that mean and how can you, as an average citizen, make a difference in the environment?

10. Connect

Many environmental problems are interconnected and can have compounding effects. After watching "The Lorax", look at the list below and discuss the implications of how any two (or more) of the items can cause a worsened environmental effect.

- Energy consumption
- Waste disposal
- Human population explosion
- Deforestation
- Loss of biodiversity
- Water pollution
- Soil erosion
- Global warming
- Food shortages
- Political unrest