



Science glossary

Year 1 Unit 3

Terms	Meaning
constructed environment	environment that is human made, for example cities with buildings, streets and bridges
feature	a distinguishing characteristic or property
field work	observational research undertaken in the normal environment of the subject of the study 
managed environment	an environment that is built, caused or controlled by humans
moon	a natural satellite; a celestial body that orbits another body
natural environment	an environment which exists in or is produced by nature, without massive human intervention
nocturnal	animals that are most active during the night
observable	that which can be seen, heard, felt, tasted or smelled either directly by an individual or indirectly by a measuring device for example: a ruler, camera or thermometer 
planet	a mostly spherical celestial body that orbits a star in a path that it has cleared of other objects
star	a very large ball of mostly hydrogen gas that produces large amounts of energy and light through nuclear fusion over an extended period of time
sun	closest star to the Earth
weather	conditions in the atmosphere; including amount of sun, wind, rain, temperature