

Questions – Virtual Tour of Composting Operation

Student Name _____

1. Which ONE of the following is NOT accepted as leaf and yard debris in the compost operation?

- A. Grass Clippings
- B. Leaves
- C. Branches
- D. Twigs
- E. Tree trunks

2. After grinding, why is the leaf & yard debris placed in long rows, turned and kept moist?

3. Fill in the blank:

With the help of an environment rich in oxygen, organic materials breakdown and decompose due to the presence of _____ that eat the debris, leaving behind finished compost.

4. Circle the term that belongs in the sentence below:

Resource Recovery produces Class A compost, approved for use in organic farming. In order to determine its classification, the finished compost is tested for toxic organics and _____.

BACTERIA

MICROBES

HEAVY METALS

5. Which of the following describe uses of the compost produced at Resource Recovery? Circle all that apply.

- A. Roof top gardening
- B. Drylands restoration
- C. Turf farming
- D. Municipal projects
- E. All of the above

6. True or false:

Brush and branches can be as large as 3" in diameter to be accepted. _____ True _____ False

Leave, twigs and grass clippings must be free of any trash. _____ True _____ False

It takes 2-4 months to produce compost onsite. _____ True _____ False

Leaf & yard debris should be delivered to RIRRC in any type of bag. _____ True _____ False

Compost from RIRRC is approved for use in organic farming. _____ True _____ False

Backyard compost bins can be purchased at a discount at RIRRC. _____ True _____ False