## **COMPOSTING WORDS**

Take a look at these words related to composting that you may not know!

ORGANIC MATERIALS	These are materials that originally came from living things like plants or animals.
DECOMPOSE	The process by which something breaks down into simpler parts through natural processes.  Here, organic matter is broken down by tiny living organisms called bacteria and fungi, and other larger living things like worms and insects.
NUTRIENTS	Substances that provide nourishment that is essential for growth and life.
RECYCLING	The process of taking things that are ready to be thrown away and changing them into materials and objects that can be used again.
REUSE	The action of using something again.
GREENHOUSE GASSES	Greenhouse gasses are gasses within Earth's atmosphere that trap heat. Some trapped heat is good because it helps warm the Earth but too much is bad because it contributes to something called "climate change" or "global warming." To learn more about climate change check out NASA's website!
BIODEGRADABLE	A substance or object that can be <u>decomposed</u> .