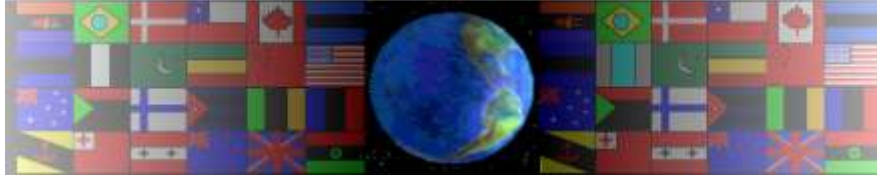


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1. Why can fast growing willow be referred to an environmentally friendly (green) fuel?

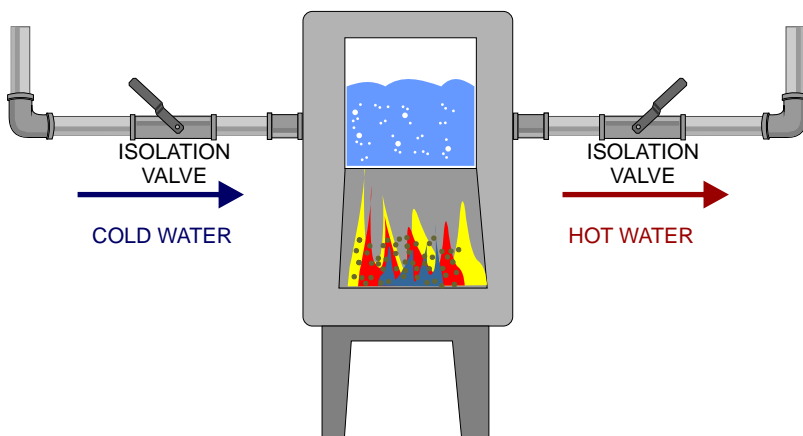
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2. When harvested, the trunk of the willow tree is converted into chippings. Draw a labelled diagram that shows this process.



3. The diagram opposite shows a typical willow burning boiler. Explain how it works.

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4. What are the disadvantages of having a willow burning boiler, compared to a gas or oil burning boiler? Consider the following points before answering the question.

- The cost of willow.
- Feeding the fuel into the boiler compared to gas or oil.
- Finding a local supplier of willow.
- Cleaning the boiler.

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5. Would you consider buying a willow burning boiler? Explain your answer.

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