

## THE GENERATION OF ELECTRICAL POWER

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Electrical power can be generated through CONVENTIONAL technology or ALTERNATIVE technology. Examples of the two categories are listed below. Study the list carefully. Both types of technology affect the environment.

1. What affect do CONVENTIONAL methods of producing electricity have on the environment?

2. What affect do ALTERNATIVE methods of producing electricity have on the environment?

**3.** In a sentence, describe each method of producing electrical power. Use the space below.

|                 | OIL            |
|-----------------|----------------|
| NOI             | COAL           |
| /ENT            | NATURAL GAS    |
| CONVENTIONAL    | NUCLEAR ENERGY |
| ↓<br>↓          | PEAT           |
| 1               | WIND POWER     |
| E<br>N          | SOLAR POWER    |
| _TERNATIVE      | WAVE POWER     |
| TERI            | TIDAL POWER    |
| AL <sup>-</sup> | HYDRO POWER    |
|                 | BIOFUELS       |