Student Fact Sheet C-1 The Dirt on Composting
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3. How do decomposers help nature recycle?
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Answers:

1. What is compost?

Organic material that looks like dirt and is full of nutrients.

- 2. Name two living things that are decomposers. <u>Millipedes, banana slugs, worms, mushrooms.</u>
- 3. How do decomposers help nature recycle? <u>Decomposers eat organic matter, break it down and turn it into compost.</u>
- 4. Today, what covers most of Earth's topsoil? <u>Covered by roads, buildings, houses and parks.</u>
- 5. What do you think is the worst thing about a landfill? <u>Smell, garbage sits there a long time, produces global warming gas, waste</u> of land space.

