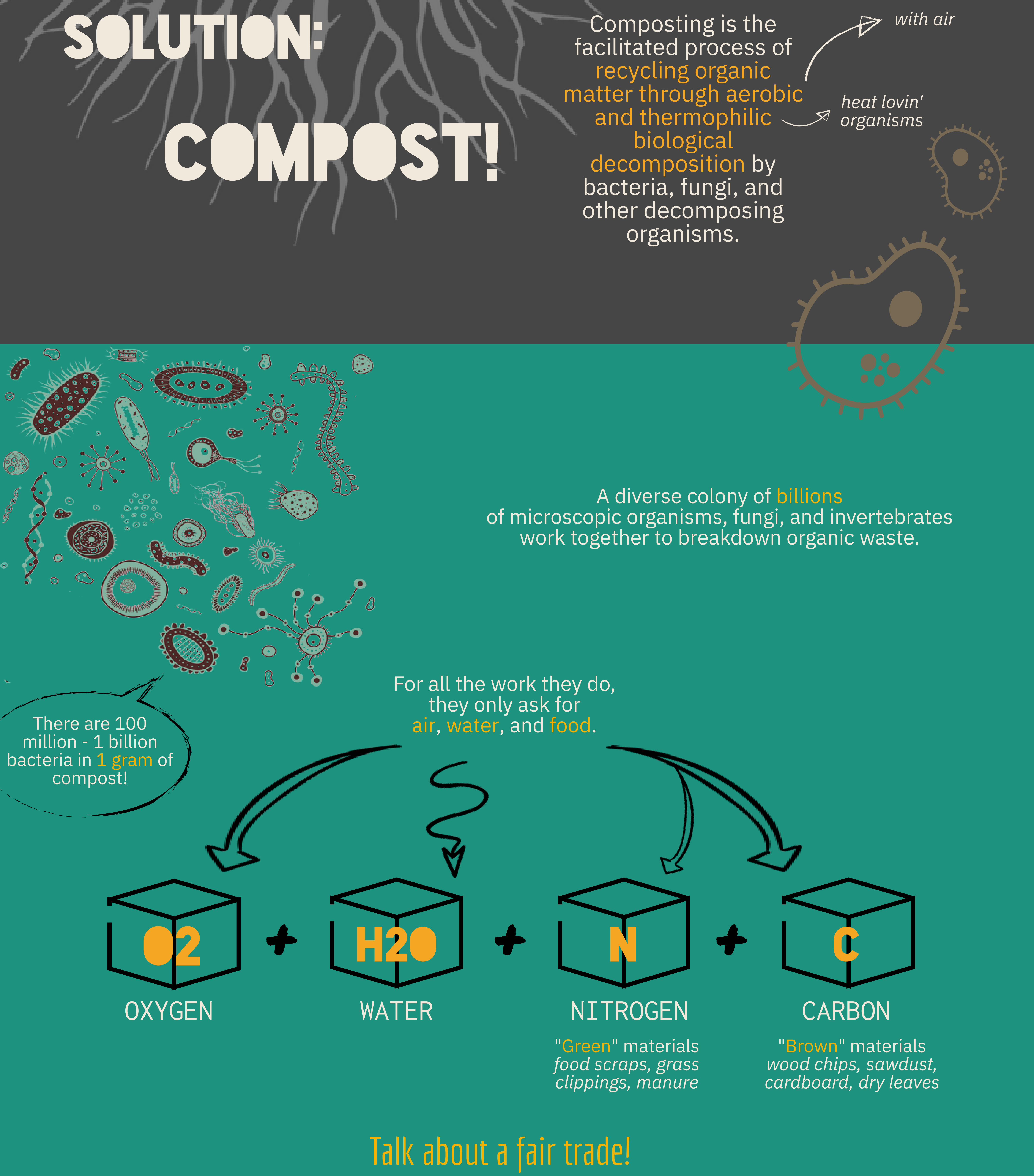


Cultivating Compost on Thetis Island



SOLUTION: COMPOST!



Composting cycles nutrients, benefiting the environment and humans alike. Nothing is wasted!

TOP 10 Reasons to Compost

1. Composting **returns nutrients** like carbon, phosphorus, and nitrogen (all essential nutrients for healthy plant growth) **to the soil**
2. **Improves soil structure** and **enhances water retention**
3. **Promotes a prolific soil ecosystem** which makes for more robust and resilient soils
4. The aerobic nature of composting **reduces** the emissions of the Greenhouse Gas, **methane**
5. The composting process **produces "black gold"** that farmers and gardeners need for healthy and fertile soils
6. **Reduces or eliminates** the use of **chemical fertilizers**, reducing cost for farmers and on the environment
7. Removes organic materials from the waste stream thus **reducing hauling costs**
8. **Reduces compost importation costs**
9. It is **inherently renewable**, and making your own is cheap and minimizes your carbon footprint
10. It's fun having billions of pets!!

In 2021, Thetis Islanders collectively purchased over \$10,000 worth of compost

Did you know that on Thetis, almost **90%** of survey respondents stated that they garden or farm?!

For more info about composting, check out:
thetislandnatureconservancy.org

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