An Introduction to Sustainability
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Spaceship Earth!

Design a spaceship for a population to survive for 6,000 years.

Life Support Systems?  Social Systems?
3 Pillars of Sustainability:

- Social
- Economic
- Environmental
Why is Sustainability Important?

Sustainability in the United States

Sustainability in Arizona and Phoenix

Sustainability in your high school
Questions?