

Instructions

Answer the following questions about "forever chemicals" in the spaces provided.

What Are Forever Chemicals?

Forever chemicals are a group of man-made chemicals that don't break down easily in the environment. They are part of a larger group of chemicals known as per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, or PFAS. These chemicals have been used in many products because they are good at repelling water, oil, and heat.

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Environmental Impact

Because forever chemicals don't break down easily, they can accumulate in the environment and in animals, including humans. This can lead to environmental and health problems. Animals high up in the food chain, like polar bears and humans, tend to have higher levels of these chemicals in their bodies.

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Uses of Forever Chemicals

Forever chemicals have been used in many products, including:

- Non-stick pans
- Waterproof clothing
- Food packaging
- Cosmetics
- Furniture and carpets

Which of these products have you or your family used before?

Health Effects

Exposure to forever chemicals has been linked to several health concerns, including:

- Cancer