GREENS

Fresh materials that are relatively high in nitrogen, such as raw vegetable & food scraps) green leaves and coffee grounds

WATER

Decomposer microbes require

a layer of water

on organic particles

to move around

and metabolize

dissolved nutrients

INGREDIENTS FOR GOOD COMPOST



BROWNS

Materials that are relatively high in carbon, such as leaves twigs, wood chips & shavings, straw, and shredded newspaper

Just like us, decomposer microbes "breathe."

Composting is an aerobic, or oxygen-requiring process.







