**Tad the Tadpole Vocabulary**

**Habitat:** The home of an animal or plant

**Fertilizer:** A chemical that helps plants grow

**Water Runoff:** Excess water that flows over land when the soil below is flooded

**Pollution:** Anything that makes the earth dirty and unhealthy

**Mercury:** A chemical element that is poisonous

**Recycling:** Taking used materials and turning them into new products

**Predator:** An animal that lives by eating other animals

**Invasive Species:** Any organism that isn’t native to the area and causes harm to the ecosystem