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Cut apart the following steps for manufacturing a paper bag. Sequence them in a way that shows the process from beginning to end. (Hint: The steps may not form one straight line.)



Trees are harvested and cut into logs.

A



The sack-making machine folds and glues the sheets of paper.

B



A certified forest is managed sustainably so that it meets standards for environmental, social, and economic criteria.

C



Logs are sent to a mill, where they are tumbled to remove their bark.

D

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Trees are planted to ensure healthy forests for decades to come. They support biodiversity, wildlife habitat, and recreation and produce fiber to make wood products.

E



The pulp mixture moves through a series of rollers that press and dry it into rolls of paper.

F



At the bag assembling plant, a sack-making machine cuts rolls of paper into sheets.

G



At the paper mill, 70% certified paper pulp, 15% noncertified paper pulp, and 15% recycled paper pulp are mixed together with water.

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Recycled paper is deinked, cleaned, and cooked to make recycled paper pulp.

I



Healthy forests are a critical part of the web of life. But not all forests are certified by certifying organizations, and their use does not always meet environmental, social, and economic standards.

J



Debarked logs are either put through grinders or cooked in a chemical solution to break down the wood into paper pulp. The process is the same for certified and noncertified forests.

K



A printing machine prints the store name and forest product certification label on the bag.

L

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Recycled paper is gathered at recycling centers and sent to a paper recycling mill.

M



Foresters monitor growing trees to ensure the forest remains healthy and continues to provide a range of benefits, including wildlife habitat, recreation, and future wood products.

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CAREER CORNER

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