Composting basics

Saturday workshop at the Elm Street community garden

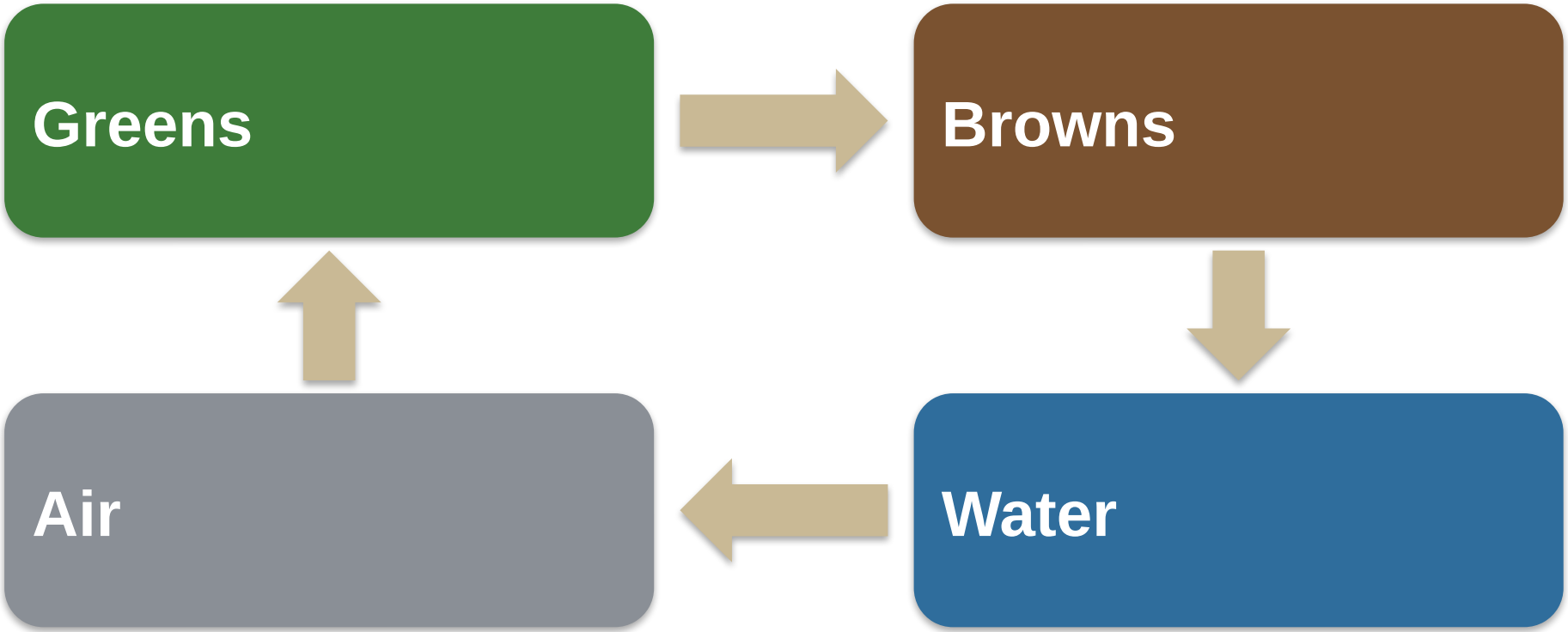
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Greens and browns

Greens (nitrogen)	Browns (carbon)
Vegetable scraps	Dry leaves
Coffee grounds and filters	Shredded cardboard
Fresh grass clippings	Straw
Tea leaves	Sawdust from untreated wood

Aim for about three buckets of browns for every bucket of greens.

Four things a heap needs



A bin for a small plot

One cubic meter holds enough heat to break scraps down

Leave gaps between the slats for air

Turn the heap with a fork every two weeks

Ready in 3 to 6 months: dark, crumbly, smells like soil

