20.3 – 20.5 Soil Hmwk Objectives

- 1. Define soil horizon.
- 2. Briefly describe the four soil layers.
- 3. Distinguish among four soil textures.
- 4. Distinguish between soil porosity and soil permeability.
- 5. Describe how humus and pH contribute to soil fertility.
- 6. Describe the problem of soil erosion.
- 7. Define *desertification* and its causes.
- 8. Describe the problems of salinization and waterlogging of soils.
- 9. Distinguish between conventional-tillage farming and conservation-tillage farming.
- 10. Describe three ways to increase soil fertility.
- 11. Compare the pros and cons of using inorganic and organic fertilizers.