

Sustainable future



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What other benefits would your green future offer?





Possibilities

 Many of us would like to see a future where

The air and water is clean and safe

 Thousands of animal and plant species are no longer endangered and can grow and thrive without threat

 There are sustainable sources of food and water for everyone on the planet

All energy and fuel is green and renewable

Do you think that universal access to green energy could help put an end to hunger and poverty?





Caring for the planet

 We are in a position to make the positive changes that will decide the future of our planet

People have taken to the street to

Protest against producers and practices that are damaging the planet

 Campaign for positive action to be taken by governments and corporations

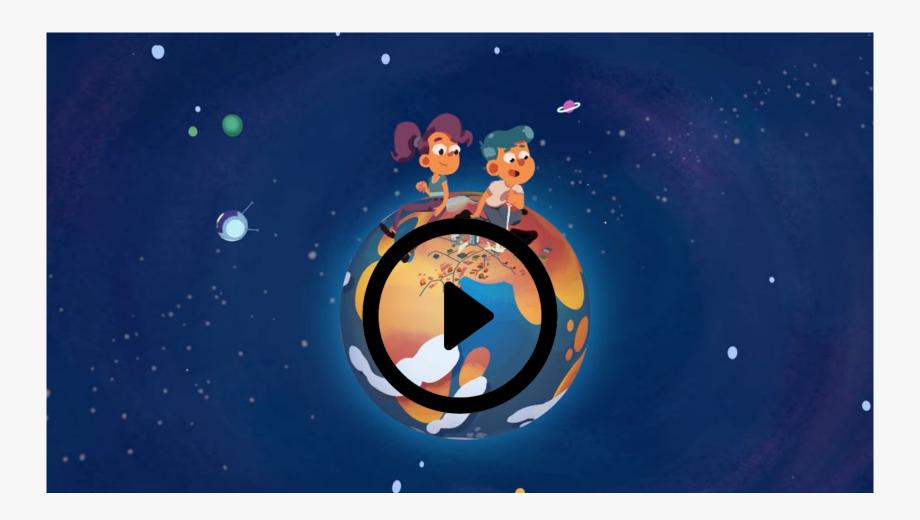
How do you think we can get our leaders and governments to listen and act?





Sustainable development







The environment

- To develop sustainably we must put the health of the planet first
- · Our aim should be to
 - Protect ecosystems and habitats
 - Reduce pollution and work towards being carbon neutral
 - But what does 'carbon neutral' mean?
 - In what key ways can we all work towards reducing pollution?





Wildlife conservation

 Conserving our wildlife means conserving their habitat

 Habitats can be destroyed by various means including

Pollution, deforestation, desertification

What human actions cause this type of destruction and so threaten wildlife?

What does the term 'extinction' mean?

If we act now we can reduce the rate
of extinction in animals currently at risk
including tigers, rhinos, whales and elephants





Why should we care?







Task 1: A world without



 When we hear about the large number of animals that are endangered it can be frightening and upsetting

 The best thing that we can do is recognise the problem, but what action can we take?

- One way in which we can take action is by educating each other, talk to friends and family and raise awareness of the risks of extinction
- Select and research an endangered species
 of your choice and design a campaign poster
 to raise awareness, you should include:
 - Where does your animal comes from?
 - Any facts including current numbers
 - What factors have caused numbers to decline?
 - What can be done to save the animal from extinction?





Economic sustainability

 We need to be more aware of the origin of the products we buy

Who made them

How they are made

What materials they are made from

How far have they travelled to reach us

• If you can buy a T-shirt in a UK high street store for as little as £2, what do you think this might tell you about the T-shirt's manufacture?





Tackling social issues

- The most vulnerable people in our society are often those hit hardest by climate change
 - How does drought caused by lack of rain fall affect people's livelihoods?
- To be socially sustainable we need to focus on
 - Equality, diversity, community, fairness, healthcare, safety and empowerment





Healthcare and wellbeing

 The climate crisis has impacted the health and wellbeing of millions of people across the world

> Is universal access to healthcare and sanitation a basic human right?

 If development is to be socially sustainable it must show that it

> Improves the physical health outcomes for the local community and employees

 Improves mental health outcomes for the local community and employees





Education and empowerment

 Sustainable development relies on access to education

> Do you think that every child on the planet has access to education?

 Sustainability ought to be part of every subject taught in every school

Schools themselves should be sustainable

How do you think you could help your school become more sustainable?







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How about some of your other subjects?				

How could sustainability be taught in other lessons like English, History, Art and Design, Music, PE, Computing, Languages, PSHE and Citizenship?



The choices we make

 We can make choices in all areas of our lives that will have a positive impact on our planet

> It can be hard to know where to start when there is so much that needs to change

The best places to start are at home,
at school and in our day to day lives

Can you think of one sustainable lifestyle change you or your family have made recently?





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Refuse

 Where a product or material has a negative impact, refusing to buy or use it is a positive action

> We can choose **not to buy** a product because it is produced, packaged or marketed in a certain way

 This might mean changing our behaviour like choosing reusable water bottles instead of single use plastic ones

Why might we choose to refuse to buy some cheap fashion that is made abroad?





Reuse

- By reusing the materials and the products we buy
 - less waste goes to landfill
 - fewer new materials and fuels are needed to produce new products
 - We move away from being a single use, 'throw away society'
 - What are the other benefits of reusing or repurposing objects we may already have?





Recycle

 Each time a product is made, new materials have to be sourced and processed

> Materials like metals and plastics are made from non-renewable resources

 Recycling materials reduces our reliance on those finite resources

Is recycling a carbon neutral solution ?





Rethink

 We are used to shopping and living in a certain way

> For example, many of the goods we buy come wrapped and packaged

 We must continue to rethink the way we live, what we buy and what our needs and expectations are

Can you think of any initiatives introduced into shops that have had a positive impact on the amount of waste we generate?





Repair

'Make do and mend'....
 Until quite recently, most
 clothes and products were
 designed to last and be repaired

Some products nowadays are made cheaply are more prone to breaking

 Mending and repairing clothes and products prolongs their useful lives and our enjoyment of them

Can you suggest a fun and attractive way to mend a hole in a pair of jeans?





Reduce

 We live in a world where many of us have more than we need whilst many don't have enough

> In this situation it is vital that we try very hard not to waste anything

 By reducing what we consume we make less waste and lower our carbon footprint

What measures can we take to reduce the amount of food waste we generate?





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Sustainable careers

- As we make changes to enable us to live and work more sustainably all kinds of jobs will be created
 - These will be in all areas from design and engineering to farming, science, food technology and more
 - How might a fashion designer play a vital role in a sustainable future?
 - Why do you think there may be more jobs available in sustainable energy in the future?
 - Your skills and creativity will be in demand!





Case study: EV Designer

As an electrical engineer,
 Jenny works in the automotive
 industry, improving the design of
 electric vehicles or 'EVs'

 The vehicles she designs are an important part of meeting global goals on climate change

 Her skills mean she could work in many other sustainable industries including renewable energy and building design

Do you think that more employers will be looking for people with these types of skills in the future and if so, why?





Task 4: My green job!

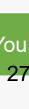
The challenge

• Design your ultimate sustainable 'green' job. Think of what you would really like to do and how that job could be made to contribute to a sustainable future! Be imaginative!

Present your ideas in table provided on the worksheet

Explain and compare your Ideas with your classmates

You must be able to describe what makes your job sustainable!











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