

GLOBAL WARMING

FACT FILE

- The Earth is heating up. The average ¹ _____ temperature is 0.75°C higher now than it was 100 years ago.
- When we burn ² _____ fuels, they give off ³ _____ gases like carbon dioxide (CO₂). This causes ⁴ _____ warming.
- We have cut down over 50% of the Earth's ⁵ _____ forests in the last 60 years. These are important because they remove CO₂ from the atmosphere and add oxygen. They are also home to over half of the world's plant and animal species.
- Some scientists believe that by 2050, about 35% of all plant and animal species could die out because of ⁶ _____ change.
- ⁷ _____ levels are rising and the polar ⁸ _____ caps are melting.
- Scientists say that fossil fuels like coal and gas may run out by the year 3000. So we need to develop alternatives, such as ⁹ _____ energy and nuclear energy.