

# CLIMATE CHANGE: WHAT CAN WE DO?

*Watch the video and fill in the blanks. Figures are to be written in numbers.*

To stop global temperatures rising by more than 2 degrees, greenhouse gas emissions need to fall by 2.5 percent every year until they reach zero. In the UK, that means cutting our emissions by 12 million tonnes in the first year. So, what can we do?

- ..... every person in the UK ....., we'd each ..... carbon dioxide emissions by ..... kilograms per year. Added together that's ..... tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>.
- You can make a bigger difference by ..... Every household in the UK which recycles saves ..... kilograms of carbon dioxide. .... every household ....., we... ..... 2.4 million tonnes.
- ..... to ..... saves ..... kilograms per household. That's 3.2 million tons of CO<sub>2</sub> if every home in the UK **followed suit**. (= did the same)
- We can also help cut the energy used in the treatment of ..... If we all ..... the tap when brushing our teeth, we'd cut 7.9 million tons from the UK's emissions.

None of those examples would require a huge change in lifestyle. But if ..... , we..... 13.6 million tons of CO<sub>2</sub> and we'd beat our target of reducing emissions by two and a half percent in the first year.

**Beyond that, things get a little more drastic.**

- ..... would make a huge difference. The average motorist creates ..... per year and there are ..... cars on the road. **If we all ..... up our cars, that's 70 million tonnes.**
- If you don't fancy that. What about giving up meat? **If you ..... veggie, you ..... kg of CO<sub>2</sub> per year. If the whole country did it, we'd save 79 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>,** more than 16 percent of our total carbon emissions. Too drastic! Well, even giving up beef would make a big impact, *producing beef creates ..... greenhouse gas emissions ..... any other meat.* So, could you give up that steak to help save the planet?