34 The environment

A Environmental problems

Every year, we are **destroying** more and more forests.
15 billion trees are **disappearing** every year.
As the world population **increases**, the **land** is being used to **build** cities, grow food and make furniture.
This will be a **disaster** for **the environment** and will bring more **extreme** weather.
Governments around the world need to work together to stop this disaster.

GLOSSARY	
destroy	break sth completely so that you can't use it again or it is gone
disappear	If sth **disappears**, it goes away so that people can't see it.
increase	become bigger or more **increase** *n*
land	the part of the Earth that is not the sea
build *pt/pp* **built**	make sth by putting parts together: ***build*** *houses*
disaster	sth very bad that happens, and may hurt a lot of people
the environment	the air, water, land, animals, and plants around us **environmental** *adj*
extreme	very great or strong
government	**The government** is the group of people who control a country and decide what laws it will have.

1 **Underline the stressed syllable. Use the APP to help you. Practise saying the words.**

▶ to increase
1 government
2 disaster
3 environment
4 disappear
5 destroy

2 **Circle the correct word.**

▶ Extreme weather is a *disaster* / *land* for growing food.
1 The number of people in the world is ***destroying*** / ***increasing***.
2 Forests around the world are ***building*** / ***disappearing***.
3 The ***government*** / ***environment*** has to do something quickly.
4 We need to ***build*** / ***destroy*** more cities for people to live in.
5 Unfortunately, we are ***increasing*** / ***destroying*** more forests every year.
6 People need ***land*** / ***the environment*** to build houses on.

3 **Cover the glossary and complete the sentences.**

▶ If you make something like a house or factory, you build it.
1 If something gets bigger, it _____.
2 The people who are in control of a country are the _____.
3 Something very bad that happens and hurts people is a _____.
4 The place where people build homes or grow food is the _____.
5 The water, air, land, animals and plants are all the _____.
6 If something goes away and you can't see it any more, it _____.
7 If you break something and can't use it again, you _____ it.
8 In the desert, you can have _____ heat and cold.

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B Talking about the environment

coal

petrol

electricity

gas

Word	Example	Meaning
source	*The forests are a **source** of wood.*	a place, person or thing that you get sth from
energy	*Coal, petrol, gas and electricity are all sources of **energy**.*	**Energy** comes from *gas, electricity, coal, petrol,* etc. and is used to make machines work and to make heat and light.
develop	*Scientists are **developing** cleaner ways to use coal.*	think of or produce a new idea or product, etc.
pollution	*There is a lot of **pollution** in rivers and oceans.*	the act of making the air, rivers, etc. dirty and dangerous
cause	*What is the **cause** of the oceans getting warmer?*	the thing or person that makes sth happen **cause** *v*
recycle	*If we **recycle** more, we help the environment because we don't make so many products from new materials.*	do sth to paper, glass, etc. so that they can be used again

4 **Correct the spelling mistakes.**

▶ polution pollution
1 recicle .....
2 energie .....
3 gaz .....
4 cole .....
5 petrole .....
6 elektricity .....
7 develope .....
8 cuase .....

5 **True or false? Write *T* or *F*.**

▶ You can't see electricity. T
1 Pollution is a good thing. .....
2 Smoking cigarettes causes illness. .....
3 If you recycle something, you use it again. .....
4 Coal is black and hard. .....
5 You can see gas. .....
6 You put petrol in cars. .....
7 If you develop something, you destroy it. .....
8 We use coal to get energy. .....
9 Pollution is good for fish and animals. .....
10 Humans are one cause of pollution. .....

6 **Match 1–6 with a–g.**

▶ We should recycle e
1 Gas is a .....
2 We need to develop .....
3 We use electricity .....
4 Pollution is the cause .....
5 Coal is used to .....
6 Petrol in cars causes .....

a of serious illness.
b a lot of pollution.
c make a fire.
d new types of energy.
e more bottles. ✓
f source of energy.
g to keep our houses warm.

7 ABOUT YOU **Write your answers, or ask another student.**

1 In your home, what type of energy do you use? .....
2 In your country, which is more expensive: gas, electricity or coal? .....
3 Is there a lot of air pollution where you live? .....
4 What causes pollution in your home town? .....
5 Do you recycle a lot? If so, what do you recycle? .....

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