

## A Global Warning

Complete the statements with the words below. **CHECK**

threat

reduce

absorb

effect

patterns

continuing

according

impact

Our planet is under serious 1) \_\_\_\_\_ from the buildup of greenhouse gases, 2) \_\_\_\_\_ to many scientists. Deforestation is having a big 3) \_\_\_\_\_ on the situation, because trees 4) \_\_\_\_\_ carbon from the atmosphere. Not only that, but the Arctic ice is 5) \_\_\_\_\_ to melt, which is having a(n) 6) \_\_\_\_\_ on the world's weather 7) \_\_\_\_\_.

While some big companies are responsible for pollution, it's also up to us to 8) \_\_\_\_\_ our carbon footprint.

- 5 Complete the summary with words from the **Check these words** box in the correct form. Compare with your partner. **CHECK**

### Check these words

global warming, heat up, fault, fossil fuel, greenhouse gas, surround, blanket, trap, trouble, melt, climate, report, polar ice caps, vanish, low-lying, wave, coastal, under threat, cover, serious, in great danger, starve, drown, extinct, drought, unpredictable, reduce, energy-saving bulb, turn up, expert

Global warming happens because we burn

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ which produce  
2) \_\_\_\_\_. These will  
3) \_\_\_\_\_ our world by up to 3°C,  
which means big 4) \_\_\_\_\_!  
Mountain glaciers and the 5) \_\_\_\_\_  
are 6) \_\_\_\_\_ fast! Parts of the  
world in 7) \_\_\_\_\_ areas may  
8) \_\_\_\_\_ completely in 100 years.  
Many animals are also 9) \_\_\_\_\_,  
like the polar bear, which may become  
10) \_\_\_\_\_. Extreme weather such  
as hurricanes and 11) \_\_\_\_\_ will  
also become more frequent.

**4** Match the words in bold in the text with their synonyms:

heating up	surround	traps	vanish	under threat
starve	become extinct	frequently	unpredictable	reduce

  

changeable	=	<input type="text"/>	●	in danger	=	<input type="text"/>	●
often	=	<input type="text"/>	●	die from hunger	=	<input type="text"/>	●
getting warmer	=	<input type="text"/>	●	make smaller	=	<input type="text"/>	●
be all around sth	=	<input type="text"/>	●	catches	=	<input type="text"/>	●
die out	=	<input type="text"/>	●	disappear	=	<input type="text"/>	●

**3** Read again and mark the sentences **T** (true), **F** (false), or **DS** (doesn't say).

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| 1 Most of the world's mountain glaciers will melt in the next 100 years. | <input type="button" value="T"/> | <input type="button" value="F"/> | <input type="button" value="DS"/> |
| 2 It might not be possible to go on holiday to the Maldives in 2100.     | <input type="button" value="T"/> | <input type="button" value="F"/> | <input type="button" value="DS"/> |
| 3 Ice in Greenland is melting more slowly than five years ago.           | <input type="button" value="T"/> | <input type="button" value="F"/> | <input type="button" value="DS"/> |
| 4 Polar bears come from Greenland.                                       | <input type="button" value="T"/> | <input type="button" value="F"/> | <input type="button" value="DS"/> |
| 5 In a hundred years, polar bears may be extinct.                        | <input type="button" value="T"/> | <input type="button" value="F"/> | <input type="button" value="DS"/> |
| 6 Warmer seas cause more extreme weather.                                | <input type="button" value="T"/> | <input type="button" value="F"/> | <input type="button" value="DS"/> |

Complete the text with the words below.

soil

effect

deserts

higher

tornadoes

cause

fires

Global warming and climate change can have a serious 1)  on the weather.

There will be more forest 2)  because of the 3)  temperatures.

There will be more cyclones and 4)  because of the warmer air and the sea

levels will also make more coastal flooding happen. More rain in certain areas can cause

5)  erosion, and so some areas of land will become 6) ,

especially in Africa. In other areas, more rain will 7)  constant flooding.

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