

INTERNATIONAL EARTH DAY

22nd APRIL



"We are eternally linked, not just to each other but our environment."
Herbie Hancock

Protecting our environment and preserving nature should be of utmost importance. Everywhere around the world you can notice signs which indicate something is not going the right way. However, some of us still bury their heads in the sand and pretend as nothing would happen with our environment.

Pollution is a topic that we must discuss about. Our environment depends on our behaviour and if we do not care about our planet, there will be huge consequences!

1. Warm-up

- What types of pollution do you know?
- How do you protect the environment?
- What steps has the government taken in your country to protect the environment?
- Can you name any non-governmental organization?

AIR POLLUTION

Fill in the blank spaces with one word!

Exhaust fumes and burying of fossil fuels are just the _____¹ of the iceberg of the causes of smog in cities.

Since globalization has become an evitable _____² of our lives, more and more people choose to travel by plane, therefore aviation _____³ an enormous carbon footprint.

Smog can irritate our organs, sometimes _____⁴ us even noticing its harmful and permanent _____⁵. People should rather using public transport to avoid traffic jams in the morning and in the afternoon rush hours.

LIGHT POLLUTION

Put the words in the correct form!

The _____¹ (outgrow) number of artificial lights in our enviroment can _____² (easy) lead to light pollution, especially in commercial and industrial cities, such as New York, Tokyo, London and so on.

Energy waste caused for concern beside the _____³ (appear) of health issues, including insomnia.

The whole ecosystem is _____⁴ (affect) and disturbed by this phenomenon.

Animals are attracted to artificial lights, which is very _____⁵ (danger) and in many cases can cause accidents. In some cities, nights are so bright, because of the lights, that the sky seems to be blank.

WATER POLLUTION

Put the words back in the correct places!
There are 3 words you do not need to use!

into for waste spills effect
to impacts fauna

Lots of our _____¹ end up in our water bodies, polluting the fresh-water _____², leading to the loss of thousands each year.

Not to mention oil _____³ and their huge consequences.

The majority of production plants leak their chemicals _____⁴ natural waters. Soil pollution can also be effected by water pollution, which then _____⁵ on the quality of groundwater and on the quality of our tap water that we drink every day. These effects are inextricably linked.



SOIL POLLUTION

There is an extra word in each line!
Cross them out!



Soil pollution can be caused by the chemicals, pesticides and non-organic materials. So there was a lack of self-awareness related to selective waste of management, therefore landfills were be filled with different types of harmful waste, in which then started to degrade and form a part of the soil. As more and more trash has piled up, these harmful processes started to spread up and became greatly more unstoppable.

CHARITY FUNDRAISING

Your community needs to raise money to be able to build more cycle lanes. Organize a charity event in your school or in your community! Discuss the following points:

- The place and the date
- Guests and other participants
- Agenda
- Decorations
- How much money you would like to raise

