

THE CLIMATE CRISIS



Environmental activists Greta Thunberg and George Monbiot have helped produce a short film highlighting the need to protect, restore and use nature to tackle the climate crisis.

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the video and do the exercises.

1. Preparation task. Match the definitions (A–H) with the vocabulary (1–8).

Vocabulary	Definition
1) carbon	A- practice for what you should do in an emergency;
2) a subsidy	B- a fuel such as coal, oil, or natural gas (formed from the remains of dead plants and animals);
3) a drill	C- a chemical element found in coal, oil and living things;
4) a fossil fuel	D- money paid by a government to keep the price of certain products low;
5) an ecosystem	E- a type of animal or plant not existing any more;
6) extinct	F- to return something or someone to its original state;
7) to restore	G- to pay for;
8) to fund	H- the plants, animals, climate, etc. in an area and how they are linked.

2. Write a number (1-8) to put the ideas in the order that they are mentioned in the video.

Natural climate solutions can help to fix the climate crisis.

We need to fund things that help nature, not things that destroy it.

Trees take carbon out of the air and lock it away.

We need to stop burning fossil fuels.

We need to restore our planet by helping ecosystems to regenerate.

More money is spent on fossil fuels than on natural climate solutions.

We need to protect nature.

We are destroying nature faster than ever.

3. Fill in the missing words to make sentences.

1. We are living in the beginning of a mass _____ .
2. Our _____ is breaking down.
3. Nature is a _____ we can use to repair our broken climate.
4. Up to 200 _____ are going _____ every single day.
5. Tropical forests are being _____ .
6. Much of our planet has been _____ but nature can _____
7. We need to stop _____ things that destroy nature.
8. Many people have already begun using natural climate _____ .