

Why should we construct eco-neighbourhoods?

**Part 1. Understanding the idea of ecological footprint.**

**(15 mins)**

Remember : What is an eco-neighbourhood ? A neighbourhood built in a way to reduce urban sprawl, ensure mixed-use development, the use of renewable resources, limitation on energy consumption, air and water pollution, reduction of automobiles, and especially giving an important place for green spaces.

• Read **sheet 1** (a text on ecological footprint)

a. What do you see on this document ?

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b. What is carbon footprint ?

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c. On the diagram, a part represents 'services'. How are services related to carbon foot print?

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**Part 2. Answer a questionnaire**

**(20 mins)**

① What is CO<sub>2</sub>?

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② What part is the impact of the city in the emission of CO<sub>2</sub>?

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③ Is this impact important?

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④ What is the part from housing (*logement*) in the carbon footprint of the French people?

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⑤ What are the causes for this production of CO<sub>2</sub>?

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⑥ What is the part from transport in the carbon footprint of the French people?

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⑦ What reasons did the text give for this important part?

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8 What are the two other elements that contributes to this carbon foot print?

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9 To go further; in your opinion, why is food (*alimentation*) in the production of CO<sub>2</sub>?

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(You may write you answers in **English** or **French**).

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### Part 3.

(20 mins)

- Write short sentences to justify the construction of an eco-neighbourhood.

(Hints: Use the idea from your creation of an eco-neighbourhood at school.)

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### Glossary:

Home: l'*habitation*

Movement: *les déplacements*

Waste: *les déchets*

Sanitation: *la propreté*

Vegetation: *la végétation*

Water: l'*eau*