

## A letter of apology (une lettre d'excuse)

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Dear Future .....



I think I ..... for the rest of us when I say, sorry, sorry we ..... you with our mess of a planet. Sorry that we ..... too caught up in our own doings to do something. Sorry we listened to people who ..... excuses, to do nothing. I hope you forgive us, we just didn't realize how special the earth was, like a marriage going wrong, we ..... what we had until it was ..... For example, I'm guessing you probably know what is the Amazon Desert, right? Well believe it or not, it was once ..... the Amazon Rain ....., and there were billions of trees there, and all of them gorgeous and just um.. Oh, you don't know much about trees, do you? Well let me tell you that trees are ....., and I mean, we literally breathe the air they are ....., and they clean up our pollution, our carbon, store and purify water, give us ..... that cures our diseases, food that feeds us. Which is why I am so sorry, to tell you that, we ..... them down. Cut them down with brutal machines, horrific, at a rate of 40 football fields every minute, that's 50% of all the trees in the world all gone in the last 100 years. Why? For this. and that ..... make me so sad, if there ..... so many pictures of leaves on it. You know when I ..... a child, I read how the ..... had such consideration, for the planet that they ..... responsible, for how they ..... the land for the next 7 generations. Which brings me great sorrow, because most of us today, don't even ..... about tomorrow. So i'm sorry, i'm sorry that we put ..... over people, greed over need, the rule of gold above the golden rule. I'm sorry we ..... nature as a credit card with no spending limit. Over drafting animals to ....., stealing your chance to ever see their uniqueness, or ..... friends with them. Sorry we poison the ocean so much that you can't even swim in them. But most of all, i'm sorry about our mindset, cause we ..... the nerve to call this destruction, .....

By Prince Ea, an American poet, rapper and filmmaker.