

Putting words together...



- If people or things **damage the environment**, they cause harm to it, and if they try to **protect the environment**, they try to make sure it is not harmed. We can also say that people try to **save the planet**.
- If people **save energy**, they use less of it, and if they **reduce pollution**, they cause levels of it to fall. If they **waste energy**, they use more than they need to.

- **The temperature of something** is how hot or cold it is, and if **the temperature rises**, it gets hotter.
- We say that **ice melts** when it turns into water, and this can **make sea levels rise**.

Exercise 4

Match the first part of each sentence (1–6) with the second (a–f).

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| 1 Photographs from the air show | a terrible floods in many countries. |
| 2 Many people worry that it is already too late | b to produce more of the electricity we need. |
| 3 If the temperature of the sea rises, | c cars that produce less pollution. |
| 4 If sea levels rise, there will be | d that large areas of ice are melting. |
| 5 We should use the sun and wind | e to save the planet. |
| 6 I think that in the future people will build | f there may be problems for the fish that live there. |



Exercise 5



Look at the profiles above. Listen to and read the following sentences, then decide which person said each of them.

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| 1 <i>People would use their cars less if we had a better, cheaper transport system.</i> | 4 <i>We need better laws to reduce pollution from factories and farms.</i> |
| 2 <i>I grow all my own vegetables, and I don't put any chemicals on them.</i> | 5 <i>I know my car uses a lot of fuel, but who wants to drive around in a silly little electric car?</i> |
| 3 <i>People say that air travel damages the environment, but holidays are important.</i> | 6 <i>I never leave lights on because I hate to waste electricity, and I recycle all the bottles I use.</i> |

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Use the words you've learned...

Do you try to protect the environment? In what ways?