

Comprehension

Learning Objective: to use a range of reading strategies to understand a text.

Why do we need to care about climate change?

Climate change is when the weather a place normally has changes. An example of this is in Swansea where extreme storms and flooding have been happening. There are lots of reasons why climate change is important. We need to think about it and I believe it is important. We try our best to work to stop climate change.

Do you want polar bears to lose their homes? The planet is warming up and causing sea ice to melt. This ice is where polar bears live, meaning they could lose their homes if Earth continues to heat up. The planet is heating up and you need to help stop this happening. This can be done by lowering the amount of water wasted like, turning the tap off when brushing your teeth. This will help save energy because water is heated and treated which uses energy. Reducing greenhouse gases that block heat escaping Earth is important. We can lower these by walking more instead of using cars and using electric cars that use renewable energy.

Some people argue against global warming. My grandmother said “it is cold outside. How can the planet be getting hotter?” I explained, weather and climate are different because the weather can change every day but, climate is the type of weather across a long time. This means that just because it may not be hot now that Earth is heating up. For example, over the last five years it has been the hottest on record.

Melting ice caps and serious storms. There must be something we can do to stop animals losing their homes from a hotter planet. I believe that climate change is very serious and needs to be stopped. I will work to improve my water waste and use energy saving bulbs to help save the planet. What can you do to save the planet? In summary, we only have one planet, and we need to look after it.

Task: read the piece of text and answers the questions below.

1. What is climate change?
2. What will happen if the Earth continues to heat up?
3. How can climate change be stopped?
4. What has happened over the last five years?
5. What do greenhouse gases do?
6. How can the release of these gases be reduced?