



VOCABULARY: THE ENVIRONMENT

TRANSLATION	NOUN	VERB	ADJECTIVE	ADVERB
	environment environmentalist		environmental	environmentally
	protest	protest	protesting	
	disagreement	disagree	disagreeing	
	protection	protect	protective protected unprotected	protectively
	nature		natural unnatural	naturally unnaturally
	disaster		disastrous	disastrously
	catastrophe		catastrophic	catastrophically
	destruction	destroy	destructive	destructively
	earthquake			
	resource		resourceful	resourcefully
	fossil	fossilise	fossilised	
	fuel	fuel		

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	renewal	renew	renewable non-renewable	renewably
	limit	limit	limited unlimited limitless	limitedly limitlessly
	globe		global	globally
	warmth warming	warm	warm warming	
	greenhouse			
	gas	gas	gassy	
	temperature			
	rise	rise	rising	
	pollution pollutant	pollute	polluting polluted non-polluting	
	reduction	reduce	reduced	
	chemical chemistry chemist		chemical	chemically
	disposal	dispose of	disposed	

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### Useful sentences

#### The environment:

Governments have to come together to discuss what can be done to protect the environment.

The environment is increasingly threatened by modern-day living.

The environment should be a matter of priority for all countries around the world, before it is too late.

#### Pollution:

There are many different types of pollution, including water, air, noise and land.

Many companies dispose of waste materials in the rivers and the sea, thus polluting the water and killing animals and plants.

With the constant increase in the number of cars and factories, levels of pollution are rising all around the world.

#### Environmentalist:

Environmentalists are very opinionated people who strongly believe in protecting the environment.

These people go out and protest against those companies and organisations who are contributing to the greenhouse effect and systematically destroying our environment.

Often environmentalists stand for long periods of time outside companies and organisations that are non-environmentally friendly.

#### Natural disaster:

There are various types of natural disaster, including earthquakes, floods, tsunamis, hurricanes, fires and more.

Natural disasters can lead to the destruction of homes and infrastructures as well as to the loss of lives.

Large-scale natural disasters can be catastrophic for the environment and for the people affected.

#### Natural resources

The fossil fuels of petrol, coal and natural gas are natural resources but they are limited and non-renewable so they will eventually run out.

The earth's natural resources are disappearing at an alarming rate so scientists and engineers urgently need to find alternative energy sources.

Humans have exhausted the planet of its natural resources.

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### Global warming

The drastic increase in industry and burning of fuels has resulted in soaring levels of gases being released into the atmosphere, thus adding to global warming.

The higher temperatures due to global warming are melting the polar ice caps causing a rise in sea levels and destroying the natural habitat of many wild animals.

According to scientists, global warming is creating a massive hole in the o-zone layer, which could be disastrous for mankind in future years.

### Speaking Questions

What kind of environmental issues are common in you country?

Do you think it is important to take care of the environment? Why?

What do you do to protect the environment?

Do you think governments are doing enough to help protect the environment?

In your opinion, what has been the worst environmental disaster caused by humans until now?

What kind of environmental disasters could be caused by humans in the future if things don't change?

### Writing Questions

Developed countries have accounted for a great deal of the environmental problems we see in the world today.

Discuss the causes of these problems and the possible effects.

If the governments placed heavier taxes on cars and petrol then there would be less pollution in the atmosphere.

Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

Global warming is causing a large amount of damage to the earth's atmosphere and natural environments.

Discuss the possible causes of global warming and offer some solutions for how governments could help to reduce these issues.