

HOW CAN WE LOOK AFTER OUR PLANET?

SOS PLANET EARTH



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We should look after our planet because due to pollution, the ozone layer is being destroyed.



The ozone is a form of oxygen whose molecule has three atoms, instead of two of common oxygen. The ozone is a layer that you can find in the atmosphere and it protects us from the ultraviolet rays of the sun. If it was not for that there would not be life on Earth. In 1960 Sir Gordon Dobson discovered that there was a hole in the ozone layer on the continent Antarctic. The hole was produced because we do not look after our planet. We contaminate it with the petrol fumes, chimney smoke, factory smoke, sprays, not recycling properly.... Contamination is the reproduction of dirt and waste

that you cannot get rid of. The consequences of contamination are: acid rain, atmospheric impact, climate change, greenhouse effect... The water, air and earth are the main consumers of contamination. What can we do to save our planet? Here we give a few solutions:

1. Transport – Reduce individual transport and use public transport.
2. Domestic energy – Reduce its waste using home appliances that are classed as energy A and turn off appliances completely when not using them.
3. Waste – It helps to separate rubbish with rubbish that can be recycled.
4. Materials – Always re-use (paper, toys, tools, furniture ...) when you can and try not to use plastic bags, boxes and wrapping paper.
5. Water – Reduce the consume of water by putting (for example) water bottles in the toilet tank.
6. Watering – Minimize watering your garden.
7. Develop – Only develop where you know that there is sufficient water for a long period of time.
8. Nature – Respect protected places and minimize the impact in nature zones.
9. Construction of houses – Build houses with good waterproof materials so that the heating investment and the air-conditioning is better.
10. Cracks – Make better isolation for windows and doors because between 5% and 10% of heat from houses escapes from them.
11. Photovoltaic solar paddles connected to the electrical network.
12. Alternative energies – To give value and be able to finance them. If everyone agrees and helps we would benefit, although it would be more expensive.
13. Taxes – Allow that they are assigned for the conservation of resources.
14. Ground – Minimize the use of change in the ground and, in general, artificial ground.
15. Impact – Pay more attention to the atmospheres impact and consider other alternatives that will help the atmosphere.
16. Species – Do not move them out of their natural habitat.
17. Invaders – Do not abandon domestic animals or pets. They could be endangered species.

18. Chemical products – Minimize the use of chemical products like: antibiotics, fertilizers ...and aerosols.
19. Education – Educate children in a way that they will help the eco-system.
20. Governments – Demand the sustainable management term of natural resources.

If everyone follows these tips, we will obtain that the planet improves and you will help us. It would be a better world and cleaner for everyone.

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