

World Environment Day 2019

World Environment Day is on 5th June each year. We think about why we need to look after our environment. We learn that many people live in places where the air they breathe isn't clean.



What Happens on World Environment Day?

On World Environment Day, we learn more about how to look after our world.

This Year's Theme

The theme is Air Pollution. Everyone has a right to breathe clean air. Nine out of every ten people in the world have to breathe dirty air.

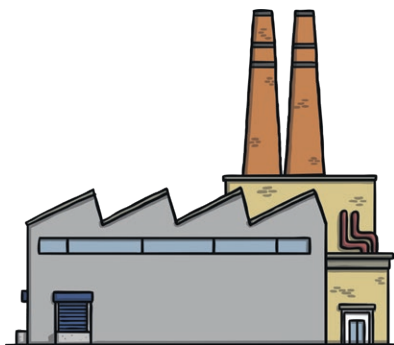
Fun Fact

Trees and plants help to clean the air.



Why Is Clean Air Important?

Air is very important. We need air to live. Dirty air is bad for our health and can make us very ill.



Did You Know...?

- Cars with diesel engines are very bad for the air.
- Factories put lots of bad chemicals into the air.

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 - ☐ World Water Day
 - ☐ World Environment Day
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 - ☐ We read a book.
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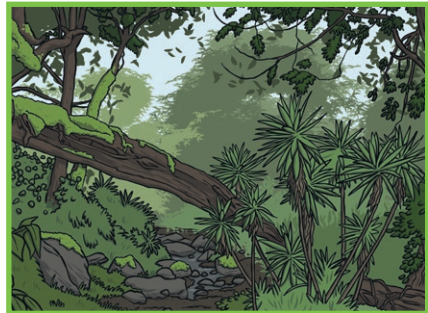
On World Environment Day, we think about the importance of looking after our environment. We learn that millions of people have to breathe dirty air.

This Year's Theme

The theme for World Environment Day 2019 is Air Pollution. Everyone has a right to breathe clean air but nine out of ten people breathe polluted air.

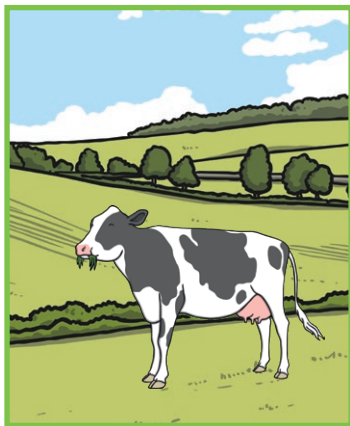
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- Trees help to clean the air so we should plant more of them.
- Cars pollute the air so we should walk or cycle whenever we can.



Why Is Clean Air Important?

Air is very important to life. Without air, humans, animals and plants would die. We need air to breathe.



Did You Know...?

It is not just cars that cause air pollution.

- Animals on farms make methane gas which is bad for the air.
- Burning wood or waste also makes our air dirtier.

Questions

1. When is World Environment Day? Tick **one**.

- ☐ every 5th June
- ☐ 2019
- ☐ a day to think about why we need to look after the environment

2. Look at the **Fun Facts** section. Draw lines to match these sentences.

Cars

... are good for the air. We should plant lots of them.

Trees

... are bad for the air. We should use different ways to travel.

3. What is this year's theme? Tick **one**.

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- ☐ World Environment Day 2019
- ☐ Dirty Air

4. **Find** and **copy** a word which describes the air that nine out of ten people breathe.

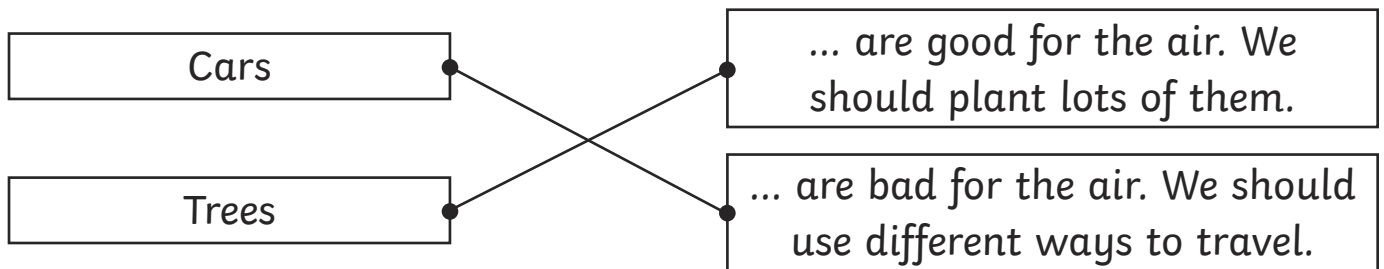
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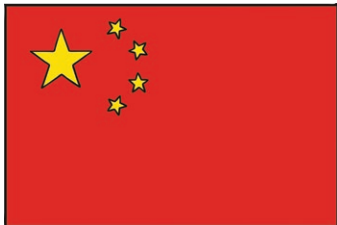


What Happens on World Environment Day?

The host country is the centre for all celebrations. People may plant trees, clean up dirty beaches or go litter picking.

Fun Facts

- The first World Environment Day was held in 1974, nearly 50 years ago!
- The host country in 2019 is China.



This Year's Theme

Each year, World Environment Day has a different theme. The theme for 2019 is Air Pollution. Every person in the world has the right to breathe clean air. However, about nine out of every ten people breathe polluted air.

Why Is Clean Air Important?

Air is very important to all life because without it, humans, animals and plants would die. When air is made dirty, it is called air pollution. Air pollution may cause asthma and can make it worse if you have it. We should reduce air pollution so the air can become cleaner and healthier for everyone.



Did You Know...?

Air pollution is caused by five main human activities:

1. **Farming** - animals on farms produce a gas called methane. This gas is worse than carbon dioxide for our environment.
2. **Household** - burning fuel for cooking, heating and lighting.
3. **Factories** - burning fuel for electricity and power.
4. **Transport** - cars with diesel engines are especially bad.
5. **Waste** - burning rubbish.



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- ☐ It is celebrated every year on 5th June by over 100 countries across the world.
- ☐ People think about air.
- ☐ People meet up to try to protect our environment.

2. Look at the **What Happens on World Environment Day?** section. Put ticks in the table to show which sentences are **true** and which are **false**.

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The centre of the celebrations is in the host country.		
People cut down trees.		
People go shopping.		
People pick up litter.		

3. Fill in the missing words.

Every _____ in the world has the _____ to breathe _____ air.

4. Look at the **Fun Facts** section. In which year was the first World Environment Day?

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1974

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- cooking**
- heating**
- lighting**

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Pupils' own responses, showing an understanding that air pollution is bad and how the environment would improve if air pollution was reduced. For example, I think the air would become cleaner and healthier.