



Emerging Ecology

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Focus Question:

Personal Resolutions:

Students will share their hopes and plans for preserving
and enhancing the beauty and wonder of Planet Earth.

Student #137, 11th Grade Male

The earth is our beautiful planet. so we can care of our earth. Because we can solve this problem we cannot do any pollution because water pollution affection on marine life.

Air pollution affected on people suffers from lungs and heart related disease. If you will be those pollution stop all things then you will save the earth.

If you will do long time travelling we use bus and train because so air pollution is decreases.

If we will do not cutting trees and plants we will grouse plants. Every man one plants grows the earth. So that helps control the air pollution and water pollution.

If we want save to ourselves. So we should think about environment and for that we should take some related actions to save ourselves and environment.

If we want to save our life from one darkness of future we have to change and save environment.

Student #111, 11th Grade Male

The earth is our mother so we must care of our mother because water pollution, air pollution, sound pollution are increases. There is problems pollution we can solve this problem we can do not any pollution. Water pollution effects on marine life affected sound pollution affected on people get irritants suffer. The old suffer from nervous disorders. Air pollution effected on people suffers from lung and hearty routed diseases.

If you will stop pollution all things then you will save the earth. If you will go long time traveling we use bus and train so air pollution is increases, you should not cut trees and plants we will grow plants. Every man have grow the minimum one plant in own life. So that helps control the air pollution because the trees taking CO₂ and leaving oxugen & that is very important for the human.

We can our beautiful earth. There are all countries people help our earth so minimum things are use. If do not wastage anything then you will be stop that all bad things and then you will save the earth and will do beautiful earth.

Student #161, 11th Grade Female

As our earth as the natural beauty we should really thanks to the god that he is gift us with such a beautiful creation of nature . It is greenery in colure as we see that suns of nature and some sides really our mind get converted and get replaced

As our nature consist of trees plants grass soil river and other sourcs .in our nature environment is one part it so consist as our surrounding seen it is our duty to preserve it an protect it we it we should not do any type pollution

Earth is like our mother we take care our earth but in this time we are seen that anywhere any types pollution, air pollution , water pollution , sound pollution that type those people and effect happen on earth plans for preserving and enhancing beauty and wonder plans earth

Really I want to do preserving and enhancing of earth so the preserving and enhancing we have growth the tree is and save them, do not destroy the forest and do not west the water it is the most important thing human do not through the plastic any wear (editor: throw plastic anywhere).

Student #112, 11th Grade Male

I am very lucky that ,I born on the earth . really earth is very beautiful you know that the earth is not only my and your mother, Earth is mother of all world . the Earth is only one planets in the galaxy that there we have “living now and also live in the future . That means for live to humans oxygen is very important things

Today's earth is not beautiful earth, because humans are cutting tree's and destroying bushes. For build factories, homes and buildings .There are few things that can do use to save the earth ; first of all we decide that we sincere love with flora and fauna and it should be increase our respect for animals and plants .

As far as possible we must avoid waste of water, electricity gas energy and many other important things .for example switching of electrical appliance when we don't need them and if the switch of is on and water is flowing then we must switch off of water we have buying things became old , we have instead of throwing of those things have learn to recycle use .

To preserving and enhancing of earth we have do something like as growing trees and save them , stopped to water pollution and soil pollution .come outing polluted air from the vehicles and factories become big problem on earth that means the earth will in danger . keep the our area clean and tidy don't through letter any wear only through in dust bean, by then our environment would in balance .

Student #207, 11th Grade Male

This is our earth is only one place we have to live on for now and in the future. There are many wonder things on the earth and human saving these things.

Earth is very beautiful the 71% water and 29% earth land on our earth. There are many different trees and animals on the earth. But to days earth is not beautiful and wonder because humans are cutting trees or pollution the water and air as for as possible we most aroid waste and we buying things instead of throwing we have learn to recycle use.

The preserving our earth there for trees are not cut down and human doing the decreases water or air pollution.

Student #167, 11th Grade Female

There are many plan for preserving and enhancing the beauty and wonder of planet earth and environment related with each other. we are living on the earth so we should save first environment if we want to save ourselves we should think about on environment and for that we should do some related activities

On the earth there are many sanctuary forest garden and nurseries this place are airy spacious and most amazing . this trees are vary use full in our life so we should plant the deferent type of plants and trees and also preserving this [paces .we should not cut down the forest because it is very harmful for us in our yard we should planted the plants this plans are preserving and enhancing the beauty of the earth

We should not through the garbage any wear it is not good for health first we should clean our hose . means we should destroy the garbage , some peoples are used wastage of water because these water should be control in our life . I want to save water some wastage water used to recycling.

Student #55, 11th Grade Male

I like the Earth. earth is worldland of mother. Earthland is for a trees, mountains, rivers and many other thing that are living on the earth.

The main couse of the earth is coming in danger that is,humans are cutting trees and destroying the bushes and many other green grass because those all thing take the CO₂ and leave the oxygen and that is very important for the humans.

My hopes and plans of the earth is the pollution free for the earth land . the day may very well come when there will be no more oxygen left for use to breathe. The question we have to ask our salve is how do we save the earth ?

We can do our best to increasing our knowledge of the flora and fauna around the earth. we should developed of our mind and heart to of sincere love of for plants and animals . we can also try to make other respect for plants and animal. the air condition and it many activities as well conserve energy . switching off electricity .

Student #3, 11th Grade Male

When the first astronauts travelled out in to space were stuck by an amazing vision planet. Earth sitting likes a blue and green jewel in the blackness of space.

The more scientists learn about life on earth, the more they realize that earth is wrapped in a delicate web of environmental system that connect each to the other. Food webs, animal, carbon /oxygen exchange and so on.

We know that when earth is safe when we are safe. This century the man is very selfish. He think about only his self.

We are now aware that changes in any one of these systems can have a huge impact.

The people cut down the trees and waste the water. So I am advice him please avoide the down the trees and waste the water.

Earth is our mother not only our mother but also mother of world. I am suggest the people when you celebrate your birthday that day we should plant different types of plants and trees.

Trees are very important for preserving and enhancing the beauty and wonder of the planet earth

Student #15, 11th Grade Female

Plant and trees are beauty of the nature and also earth. they give us fruits, flowers, wood materials etc. They also give spice rubber, eucalyptus oil and important things is useful medicine plant and trees are rightly known as green gold.

Trees keep the environment clean. They observe harmful carbon dioxide from the air and fill the at mosphere, but in this time every one person for own satisfaction do it inordinately cut down the trees. There for rain not fall at an appropriate time or unsuitable time. If rain does not fall then to arise drought condition.

Earth and environment related with each other. Now days the percentage of the pollution getting increases day by day. It is affect on environment and weather .

If we want save to ourselves so we should think about environment for that we should take some related action to save ourselves and environment. If the environment is clean, beautiful then the earth is also beautiful and wonder.

Student #126, 11th Grade Male

Earth is like our mother like that we take care our mother that type we take care our earth if we save possible pollution, we save earth so we are save the trees and don't do pollution ,if we are take life cycle of environment good then the earth will be leave good .so all the environmental event are on time .But now the days we are observe that , anywhere peoples are do any type pollution like air pollution , sound pollution and water pollution those pollutions happens by the people hand and its effect happened on another natural event so the beauty of the earth decrease

Some hopes and plan for preserving and enhancing the beauty and wonder of planet earth

If we are stopped Water pollution some beauty plant or fishes can't die ,and thirsty birds and animals drink water and save their life some mans are cut trees due to cutting trees rain can not fall in time in this season

The more factory , company and vehicle are on the earth. the polluted gasses are mixed in the air and the happen air pollution due to air pollution the more effect happened on the man and animals birds we are seeing that in Antarctica city , the capture of ozone gasses are decrease and the light of sun direct fall on the earth the effect of sun light some mans are died and skin decease are happen on mans body

So we stopped those pollutions according to me.

Student #119, 12th Grade Male

I have many hopes and plans to help preserve and enhance the beauty of the Earth. My first goal is to limit the amount of waste that clutters the Earth. In order to do this I will try to recycle what i could so it could be reused and not end up in land fills. I will also try to promote recycling to those around me so that they will also help to limit the amount of trash that is collecting on the earth. Limiting the amount of trash produced is one of the main ways to enhance the beauty of the earth and keep it clean. So my main plan would be to limit trash and increase recycle. In addition to this I will also try to limit the amount that I use my car because that releases emissions into the atmosphere that are bad for the earth and for Humans to breath. In order to do this I will try to carpool and ride with friends when we are going to the same place. This helps prevent polluting the air and making it dirty for humans to breath. Also, I would try to grow a garden at my house to enhance the beauty and wonder of the earth. This would provide me with fresh fruit and vegetables and also make the earth cleaner and provide it with resources. In order to help enhance the beauty of the earth and keep it clean I will need to pass the message on to those around me. I will not be able to make as big of an impact by myself as I would with the help of those around me. So in order to do this I am going to post signs around telling people to recycle what they can and to not throw trash on the ground. Overall, I have many plans to help enhance the overall beauty of the earth now I must implement these into my everyday life.

Student #62, 12th Grade Female

I have very big plans for preserving and enhancing the beauty and wonder of Planet Earth. One thing I plan to do is invest in an electric car for college. This would be a great way to preserve the planet and also save money. I am also planning on starting my own garden so I can grow and eat my own vegetables and fruits. Both of these things will be great to preserve the planet earth. I will also use eco-friendly products to clean my house. Eco-friendly cleaning products clean just as well as normal products but they are healthier to be around and for the planet. It is very important to use eco-friendly products. Another really big goal of mine is to recycle more. Recycling is very important to preserve the planet and keep it beautiful. The planet is a very beautiful place and the human race should do everything that they can to preserve.

Student #202, 12th Grade Male

The world is a wonderful place but needs to be preserved. I have many goals for preserving Planet Earth. One of my goals is to use more eco-friendly products. When cleaning my house I could use eco-friendly cleaners that are not as harmful to the environment. Another goal would be to try and recycle more. Recycling bins are not as abundant as trash cans are so it is just easier to through stuff away. If I was able to recycle more I would because then more products could be made out of recycled materials, and would cut down on CO2 emissions into the atmosphere that are released by factories. Another goal would be to drive a more eco-friendly car. Drive a car that either runs on bio fuels or electric. My next goal would be to have my own garden and eat healthier products and fresh vegetables that have no growth hormones. My final goal would be to come up with some way to eliminate CO2 emissions. Or develop some type of plan that would help factories be more eco-friendly and cut down on their CO2 emissions.

Student #145, 12th Grade Female

This month, and my goals for the rest of the year is to continually take short showers. Not only do I want to take short showers, but I also want to take colder showers to avoid using hot water. Recently, I have noticed that I have been less diligent about turning the lights off when I leave the room.

On the weekend sometimes we will take separate cars to a friend's house instead of carpooling with a friend that lives close. Carpooling would save gas and it would be better for the environment. Also, sometimes when I am waiting for one of my friends to come out of there house I will usually leave the car running. If I were to turn off my car, I would save more money and it would not give off the hazardous gas.

In school I notice that some of my pages in my notes the whole page is not entirely used. So in order to get full use of each page I should find those pages and either use them for more notes or as scarp paper for solving math problems.

Student #133, 12th Grade Female

Most people throughout the world do not realize how much Earth is affected by how much pollution is put into the air, how much trash goes into landfills, and how much better the Earth can be. My hopes and plans for preserving and enhancing the beauty and wonder of Planet Earth are to educate more people and make sure people are aware of how what they are doing effects the environment. I also hope to make it so there is less pollution from the population as a whole. I plan to make people more conscientious about what they throw away or recycle and how much carbon monoxide they are depositing into the air.

On the other hand, I also have many hopes in order to enhance the Earth. I also hope to plant more trees and plants in order to reduce my carbon footprint and hopefully help better the people around me. Another one of my hopes to help preserve and enhance the environment is to eventually switch to alternative sources of energy. For example, using solar panels, wind turbines, and ultimately completely hybrid electric cars. However, if the cars cannot all become completely electric, I hope that eventually cars are run off of biofuel. Another sources of energy could be created buy humans themselves, from creating energy from physical activity or turning human feces and urine into fertilizer for plants.

In conclusion, there are many different ways people throughout the world can help protect out Earth's environment and make it into a better place, being more energy efficient, lowering each persons' carbon footprint, and finding new ways to make energy.

Student #169, 12th Grade Male

The wonders and beauty of Earth is something that every human being should strive to preserve. Earth is home to billions of people who breathe its air and use its resources. However, the treatment of our planet has not been a priority to the current generation. This generation's mindset needs to change in order to preserve the beautiful home we call Earth.

I hope that one day, governments and citizens will take decisive action to improve and preserve the environment. One major goal would be for people to switch to alternative sources of energy. The extended use of coal and oil is leaving a nasty imprint on our world. The use of clean alternative sources, such as solar and hydro, would help preserve the Earth and its natural resources. By ending our dependence on these fossil fuels, the Earth would make a comeback from the carbon footprint that previous generations have left on the world.

My plan to help preserve the world is to take part in conservation projects which would benefit the surrounding land and population. For example, I would help build trails for outdoor enthusiasts which would discourage the deforestation of lands in order for construction. These trails would allow people access to a completely natural area, untouched by industrialists.

Similarly, I would wish to help preserve the coastal marshes and ecosystems found throughout the southeast. My hope is that one day boater enthusiasts would take action to take care while operating these vessels. Boats have a tendency to tear up these ecosystems and scare off the previous wildlife. By using environmentally friendly chemicals and fuels, boats can operate passively and preserve the beauty of the ecosystem.

Student #77, 12th Grade Female

I have many personal resolutions for preserving and enhancing the beauty and wonder of Planet Earth. One way one is able to preserve and enhance our Earth is by not littering. Littering is a major issue in our world today. People will go get takeout and eat it in their car then throw the trash out of their car onto the road. If many people do this, it leads to piles of trash. This is not good for the environment and also looks horrible. Not only that, but it also harms animals. Another way to enhance the beauty of our Planet Earth is by planting as many flowers and trees around. This will make our Earth a lot nicer looking and healthier. People can also help the Earth by driving environmental friendly cars. Driving environmental friendly cars is a great way to preserve our Earth. Cars such as Prius's and Tesla's are made especially to be environmentally friendly. Another good way to preserve our Planet Earth is to invest in environmentally friendly appliances. One really good, everyday use appliance is light bulbs. Environmentally friendly light bulbs do much better than regular light bulbs and save a lot of energy. There are many ways we can help preserve and enhance the beauty and wonder of Planet Earth.

Student #72, 12th Grade Male

In the future I will continue to use environmentally friendly appliances in my home to save energy and water. Energy efficient light bulbs may cost more, but in the long run will be better for the world. They will also save me money by cutting down my energy bills. I will also use organic cleaning supplies and try to support local farmers, who do not use pesticides. Giving them more business will allow them to produce more products and reach more clients. At the moment I am considering selling my SUV to buy a car, which would save gas and be more efficient. At college next year I will try to educate my fellow classmates with what I have learned in this class this year. I could post fliers and talk to other students in classes about the pros and cons of energy efficient appliances. If I were able to convince students to turn off lights and shut down computers and other devices when they aren't being used, then our campus will be able to save more energy as a whole.

Student #63, 12th Grade Female

This month I have started to come up with ideas of how I can help and be sustainable for our beautiful planet earth. I plan to make sure to recycle daily and if I see someone not recycle I will tell them. I plan to not use as much hot water when I take showers and to turn off the water when I brush my teeth. I also plan to unplug all of my electric plugs that are constantly using energy even when I am not using them, such as my phone charger, hair straightener, hair dryer, lamps and many more. I have started to carpool more with people that live around me so I can save gas. I am also not going to leave the TV on all night and waste power that is running when I am not even watching. I am in the process of changing the types of light bulbs around my house with LED bulbs that are longer lasting and better for the environment. I also have been making sure every light in my house is turned off when I leave so power will be saved. I am also interested in buying an eco-friendly car for next year when I go off to college. I believe having an eco-friendly car, like a Prius will save me a lot of gas money and is better for the environment.

Student #20, 12th Grade Male

In my community, I would really like to increase the amount and importance of plastic recycling. At my school, recycling has gained a lot of attention because of the amount of plastic bottles the students and faculty use each day, but around the school and my home's community, there has been much less of a focus on recycling. By helping to show the community the importance of recycling and by placing recycling bins around the town and restaurants, we would be able to preserve large amounts of plastics to serve an alternative purpose in another form. Another hope I have is that people may start using their leftover plastics or cardboard to create their own products or art instead of just throwing it away. This hope stems from our recent group project to create a product out of water bottles that could be used by other people. My group succeeded in making a recycling bin from water bottles, cardboard, and duct tape. A final hope I have is that people may start planting more community, home, or school based gardens. By doing so, people would be helping the environment by maintaining, watering, and nourishing the earth along with helping to enhance the image of the surrounding area with a beautiful garden for everyone to see. In conclusion, if we could all reuse some of the everyday materials we have, we would not only be able to preserve natural resources but also help make the earth a healthier and more attractive place to live.

Student #69, 12th Grade Male

Of the past year of my experiences I have been through in sustainability I have had plenty of time to ponder the many ways how I, as an individual, am able to preserve and enhance planet Earth. The start of this thought process began with the elimination of unnecessary waste and pollution as discussed in the previous essays. Through the influence of my own preservation of Earth I will be able to influence my friends and family to do the same.

One of the biggest ways I have enhanced my personal family life with sustainable action is by planting a vegetable garden in my backyard with my Father. We have been utilizing the produce from the garden for many meals throughout the week. The fruits we have grown consist of tomatoes, assortments of peppers, as well as oranges but that was when we lived in a warmer climate. Tomatoes have had the largest and most consistent yields of fruit and we have eaten them along with our main food course at dinner for several years. By using our homegrown fruit and vegetables my family has almost eliminated our use of the grocery store for the fruits we have grown. This is beneficial because our plants are organically grown unlike many of the fruits and vegetables that are grown by commercial farmers, thus, we are having less of a detrimental effect on the environment and improving the visual aesthetics of our local area.

My goals for enhancing the beauty of Earth will also greatly increase once I begin college. I have already talked to several environmental and outdoor clubs about the many things they do to both enjoy the outdoors as well as improving local trails and outdoor recreation areas. My enjoyment of the outdoors has a great effect on how I plan to preserve as much of my local environment as possible.

Student #208, 12th Grade Male

My goals for the next year to reduce my negative impact on the environment are small but everything counts. I plan on taking shorter showers to stop the waste of water. Also, another way I can help out the environment is to make sure other around me recycle everything that can possibly be recycled. Some people are not aware of what can be recycled but I can help them out with that. In the future, another way I can personally help the environment is by driving a car with more miles per gallon than what I currently have. There are cars available that have very good fuel efficiency compared to what I drive now. All in all, in the future I plan on making progressive changes to not negatively impact the environment. Currently I think my impact on the environment is minor compared to a lot of the people that go to the same school as me. Another thing in the future that I hope becomes cheaper is solar technology. It interests me to have in my house but right now it is not as efficient as normal electricity so that is what my family chooses to use. Different forms of technology would be a great change but for now I am still using fossil fuels. One thing I do now that I will still be doing in the future is using a Nalgene water bottle to drink out of instead of the normal plastic ones. I think that it helps cut down on the waste of plastic bottles and they don't leave a plastic taste in your mouth if the water is in there for a longer period of time. All in all, I plan to become a more environmentally friendly person in my day to day lifestyle.

Student #186, 12th Grade Male

The planet right now is not being taken care of very well. There is an increase in awareness about environmental safety but it is not enough to help our planet. I think we need to focus on two main points, stopping damage done to the planet and improving the planet. I think we could help the planet a lot by stopping pollution and deforestation and also planting more trees and using more green energy.

We need to stop all the harmful things we do to the planet such as polluting and deforestation. The cars we drive put off tons of pollution into the environment and we drive them constantly. I think we need to find an alternative source of fuel for our cars that don't harm the environment as much. I also think we need to stop the excessive deforestation we do as well. I know with the rapidly increasing world population we need more space but I believe we can incorporate livable communities into wooded areas without completely destroying the ecosystem itself. Preserving our planet's natural beauty is essential and we do not take it more seriously then we will regret it later in life. We need to stop damaging the planet and start improving it.

There are also ways we can help our planet such as planting trees and finding green energy. The amount of trees in our world has significantly dropped in recent years due to deforestation. We need to plant more trees to restore our planet's forests. Restoring our forests would replace destroyed ecosystems and increase the planet's natural beauty. We also need to increase our search for a green source of energy because our current sources are terrible for the environment. Biofuels are a good option but they are extremely expensive and not very accessible. We need to find a better source of energy for the world.

The world today is not in the best condition but with proper precautions we can improve things. Pollution and deforestation are the main ways I think we can improve our planet. By decreasing our pollution we could help improve the atmosphere and by stopping deforestation we could improve our planet's ecosystems and beauty.