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## SDG 13 – Climate Action

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<https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/>

### DETAILS:

Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts. It is still possible to limit the increase in global mean temperature to two degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels, aiming at 1.5°C, but this requires urgent and ambitious collective action.

**Fact - Bold climate action could trigger at least US\$26 trillion in economic benefits by 2030. The energy sector alone will create around 18 million more jobs by 2030, focused specifically on sustainable energy.**

As you probably know, the carbon footprint is a way of measuring the impact of our activities on the climate, through the emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gasses. We talk about the carbon footprint of energy, measuring how much carbon dioxide is released in the burning of fossil fuels like coal and oil.

We talk about the carbon footprint of food production, of transport, of clothing. When we put all these things together, we get our own individual carbon footprint. If we were flying around the world, buying clothes to wear once, eating meat at every meal and driving everywhere in an inefficient polluting car, then that footprint would be quite deep.



You could check your carbon footprint using an online calculator:

<https://www.conservation.org/carbon-footprint-calculator#/>

Write down your next steps to reduce your carbon footprint, discuss and share you're your Unit. Don't pick things for when you are older, pick things that you can do tomorrow, even today. This is how we will deal with Climate Change, one step at a time; all of us together.

Young people are everywhere can participate on climate change every day. Think about, again discuss and share with your Unit;

- You are cutting down on waste and recycling.
- You are cutting down on car journeys and cycling or using the bus.
- You are switching off lights and ditching disposable fashion.
- You are doing your bit and you are entitled to demand that others do theirs.
- Make up a poster to encourage others of your Unit to participate and put it up in your local shop or library.
- A good slogan always helps – how about “Climate Action Now!”.



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