

# GLOBAL WARMING

## KEY

In the 1980s, scientists found out that the **(1) average** temperature of the Earth is rising. Today, global warming is increasing because more and more **(2) gases** are released into the atmosphere, which functions like a greenhouse. Light from the sun enters the atmosphere, is transformed into heat and cannot **(3) escape**.

For a long time we didn't care about greenhouse gases. This changed when people started using more and more energy in the form of fossil fuels, like **(4) coal**, gas and oil. We burn this energy to power factories, run our cars, produce **(5) electricity** and heat our homes. Burning fossil fuels releases carbon dioxide into the atmosphere. Cutting down the world's forests has also led to climate change.

### Effects of global warming

Scientists have different opinions about how warm the earth's **(6) surface** may get. The increase in temperatures could range from 1.5° to 6° C by 2100. Warmer weather will make ice caps and **(7) glaciers** melt. Sea levels could rise dramatically. Extreme weather situations, like floods, **(8) droughts** and damaging storms will also be more common.

People in colder regions might welcome warmer weather but those who live in regions that are already hot may suffer from new **(9) diseases**. At the same time some animals may not survive because they cannot adapt to the new environment. They could travel to other places in order to live there.

### Reducing global warming

Finding a solution to solve the world's biggest **(10) environmental** problem is not an easy task. Although we need energy to make our economy grow there are things that could be done to fight this problem. Carpools or travelling by public **(11) transport** could take many cars off the roads. You could turn off lights, TV sets, computers and other electrical items if you don't need them. Companies have been spending a lot of money to produce things that use little energy. We also need to use more **(12) alternative** energy, like sunlight, **(13) wind** power or wave power. Car companies have started to produce a new type of car known as hybrids. It works like an electric car but also has a small petrol **(14) engine**.

# CONNECTORS AND LINKING WORDS

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1. **While** we were driving through the Lake District, we saw many picturesque villages.
2. **Despite** having lost only one match this season, we didn't win the championship.
3. Flight attendants who apply for a job must be able to speak **both** English and Spanish.
4. I started learning Chinese **during** my stay in the Far East.
5. This is Jimmy's new bike, **which** he got from his parents. He locks it up every evening **so that** nobody can steal it.
6. She gets up early **in order to** be in time for work.
7. The climate in South Africa is perfect. It's **neither** too hot **nor** too cold.
8. This cell phone tariff costs 8 cents per minute, **whereas/however/while** the other one offers a flat rate.
9. **Although/Even though** my father likes country music, he rarely listens to it on the radio.
10. **In addition** to the six air bags, the car also has a built-in security system.
11. The company manufactures cars **as well as** motorcycles.
12. **Even though/Although** we hadn't eaten for over twelve hours, we weren't very hungry.
13. My sister invited me to her party. **However**, I was so busy I had to tell her I couldn't come.
14. I arrived late for the performance **due to** a traffic jam on the motorway.
15. He spent most of his time playing with his friends. **Therefore/In addition**, he wasn't well-prepared for the exam.

# PRESENT SIMPLE AND PROGRESSIVE

## KEY

1. Jeremy usually **goes** to school by bus but today his dad **is driving** him. (**GO, DRIVE**)
2. How often **do you go** to the park for a picnic? (**YOU GO**)
3. Northern California **gets** a lot of rain during the wintertime but this winter it **isn't raining** at all. (**GET, NOT RAIN**)
4. My sister often **reads** in bed but today she is so tired that she **isn't reading** anything at all. (**READ, NOT READ**)
5. Look to your right! Mary **is bringing** her little sister to school. How sweet! (**BRING**)
6. Mom can't help you right now because she **is preparing** dinner. (**PREPARE**)
7. The neighbours' boys always **come** to school late. (**COME**)
8. My parents never **smoke** cigarettes in front of us. (**SMOKE**)
9. I can't understand him because I **don't know** any French. (**NOT KNOW**)
10. Mary **likes** eating sweets. Every morning she **has** coffee with lots of sweets. (**LIKE, HAVE**)
11. What **are the ducks doing**? – I think they **are waiting** to be fed by the tourists. (**THE DUCKS DO, WAIT**)
12. It **is raining** very hard at the moment. (**RAIN**)
13. They normally **watch** TV on Sundays but today they **are taking** a nap. (**WATCH, TAKE**)
14. Dad **doesn't usually watch** TV when he **comes** home from the office. (**NOT USUALLY WATCH, COME**)
15. Every Monday my dad **goes** to work by train because my mom **needs** the car. (**GO, NEED**)
16. Our teacher often **shouts** at us when she's in a bad mood. (**SHOUT**)
17. I **am saving** for a new car which I want to buy as soon as possible. (**SAVE**)
18. What **is Tom doing** right now? – He **is swimming** in the river. (**TOM DO, SWIM**)

# PREPOSITIONS

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1. The headmaster is **on** good terms with his whole teaching staff.
2. She was completely **out of** breath when she crossed the finish line.
3. All of the carpets on display were made **by** hand.
4. After we passed the last bend the city finally came **into** sight.
5. The teacher handed **out** the test sheets and the students started to work.
6. The sign says: "Beware **of** the dog!"
7. Every day millions of people travel **by** plane.
8. The doctor told me to give **up** smoking, otherwise I would have serious health problems.
9. My sister is suffering **from** cancer. She's only got a few more months.
10. The old man died **of** a heart attack.
11. The ski resort lies 1600 metres **above** sea level.
12. They couldn't walk **across** the bridge because it had been completely destroyed.
13. A really good friend never lets you **down**.
14. It's ridiculous to wear such clothes. They've been **out of** fashion for a long time.
15. I wanted to speak to the person **in** charge of security matters.
16. Why are you so mad **at** me? I haven't done anything wrong.
17. Those paintings **on** the wall date back to the 16<sup>th</sup> century.
18. When I saw how disappointed he was after the game I felt sorry **for** him.
19. The group of men were rescued **from** the flood with the help of helicopters.
20. It's freezing. It must be 20° **below** zero.
21. It was called the greatest show **on** earth.
22. The doctor pointed **out** that there might be complications during such an operation.
23. She never cared **about/for** her father. Now she doesn't want to see him anymore.
24. The lawyer accused him **of** stealing all the money.
25. She was surprised **at/by** the girl's aggressive behaviour.