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How Students Can Help Fight Climate Change



You may think that fighting climate change is only for scientists or world leaders. But the truth is, students like you can make a big difference too! Even small actions can help protect the planet and make your school and neighborhood greener and cleaner.

One important way to fight climate change is to use less energy. At school, students can turn off lights when leaving a room and unplug devices when they're not in use. Using natural light during the day is a great way to save electricity.

Students can also reduce waste. Try bringing lunch in a reusable container instead of using plastic bags. Encourage your school to start a recycling program, or help improve the one you already have. Less trash means less pollution.

Walking, biking, or carpooling to school is another smart choice. Cars release gases that warm the planet. If you ride your bike or walk with friends, you not only help the Earth—you also get some exercise!

Planting trees or a school garden is another fun and helpful activity. Trees take in carbon dioxide, a gas that causes global warming. A garden can also teach students about nature and how food grows.

Students can speak up too! Talk to your teachers or principal about ideas to save energy or reduce waste at school. You can even start a "green team" to work on projects together.

At home, you can remind your family to turn off lights, recycle, and use less water. Every action counts!

Fighting climate change may sound hard, but it becomes easier when everyone works together. When students take action, they become leaders and role models. You don't have to wait to grow up to make a difference—you can start today!