

# Climate Justice

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## *How Has Climate Change Happened???*

Carbon dioxide (also known as CO<sub>2</sub>) comes from the sea, volcanos and even people, it's sent out to the sky and creates the atmosphere. So CO<sub>2</sub> is released out to the sky and trees breathe in the CO<sub>2</sub> to stay alive, this is called the Carbon Cycle. The problem is we are releasing too much CO<sub>2</sub> into the air. The reason being, is when we burn fossil fuels, which comes from dead animals corpses and dead plants from years ago, MORE CO<sub>2</sub> is released. All the CO<sub>2</sub> that is released into the air goes into a huge blanket around the earth that traps the sun's heat to keep it from floating in space, the CO<sub>2</sub> makes the blanket bigger this is called the Greenhouse Effect. This makes the earth warmer causing more extreme weather.

## *How Has It Affected Us???*

We have been affected by Climate Change every day, ever wondered why we get so much rain??? We have also been getting snow and a little bit of sunshine, but our story isn't even close to what's happening in other countries, for example the Philippines and Pakistan. In 2010 Pakistan suffered the cost of Climate Change when a huge flood hit them, people were forced to leave their homes, over 6 million people and that's more than the whole population of Ireland!!! In the Philippines they faced a huge storm called The Typhoon Haiyan. All their houses were destroyed and everyone was made homeless.

## *Who Is Responsible For this???*

We are ALL responsible for this; WE were the ones to build houses, cars, planes, trains, factories and much, much more. If it wasn't for us this probably wouldn't be happening. All because of our horrible over use of fossil fuels, there is now no one to blame but us. Is this a good thing???

## *How Can We Help Stop It???*

We can take small actions and help stop it by recycling, growing plants and leaving the car at home, you could be a climate justice activist and help us make this world a better place!!! 😊

Do us a favour and THINK...

## *Are We Doing A Good Job???*

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