SHAPING OUR FUTURE: THE CLIMATE CHALLENGE

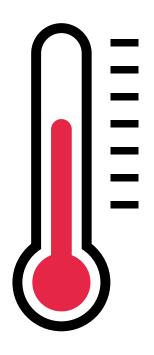
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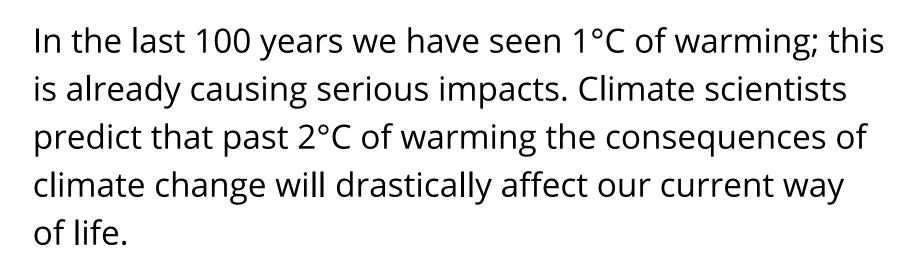


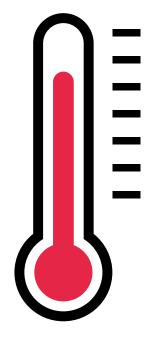
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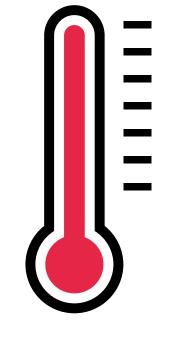


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In the last 100 years we have seen 1°C of warming; this is already causing serious impacts. Climate scientists predict that past 2°C of warming the consequences of climate change will drastically affect our current way of life.

If we don't act now to cut carbon emissions, climate experts are predicting that global temperatures will rise around 4°C this century.



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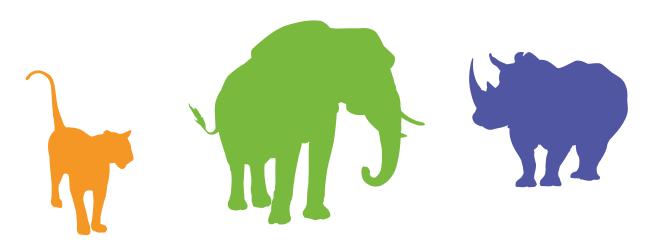


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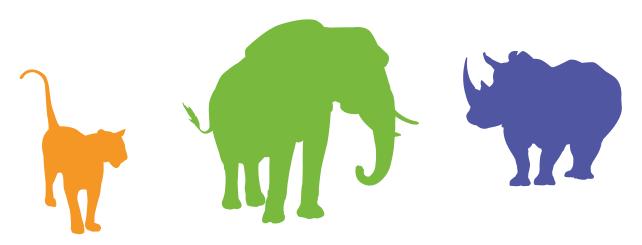
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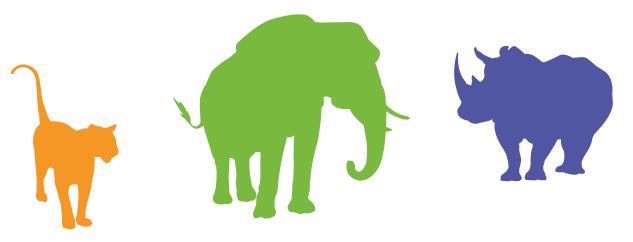
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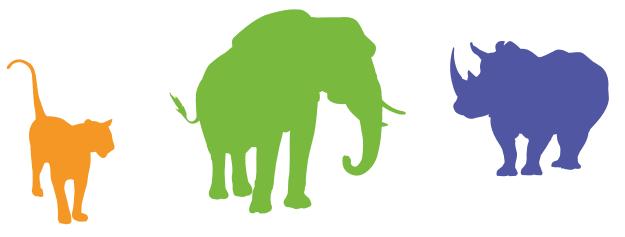
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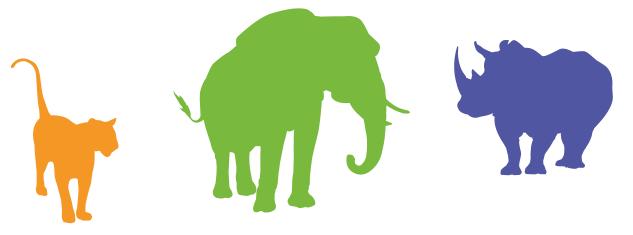
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For over 50 years, WWF has been working to protect our natural world.

Some of their campaigns highlight the threats to forests, oceans and freshwater habitats; others the plight of critically endangered species such as tigers, rhinos, gorillas, polar bears and the iconic giant panda. WWF also campaigns on climate change.

Most of the threats to wildlife and habitats come from human pressures and an increasing demand for food or water.



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The world's richest countries consume most of the world's resources and produce the largest proportion of greenhouse gases. Yet the world's poorest people and the poorest countries are being hit hardest by the effects of climate change.



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In what ways do Simon Reeve's discoveries support the quote from Marco Lambertini?

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Currently 4,000,000,000,000 (four billion) people are vulnerable to the effects of climate change, such as:

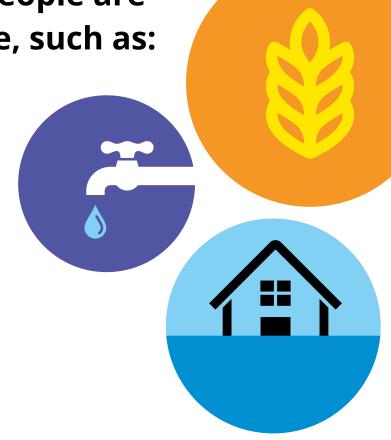
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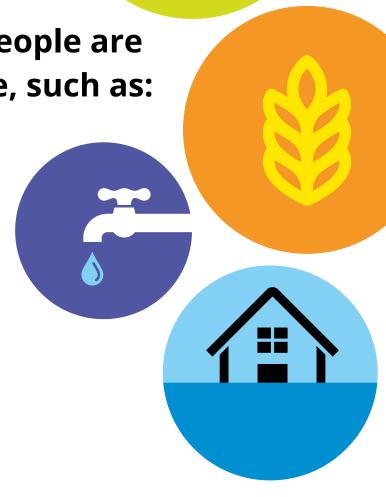
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- spread of diseases, such as malaria



You might not have noticed these effects in your area. But how will the effects impact you?

These effects on people and environments around the world mean that everyday products you enjoy could be in short supply, or increase dramatically in cost.

Chocolate



Climate change is not a **future** problem, it is a **current** problem. It is causing our world to experience...

different weather patterns









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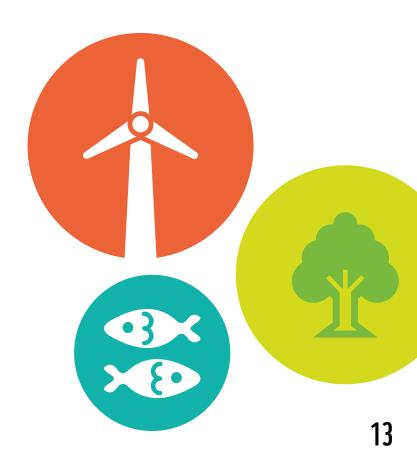
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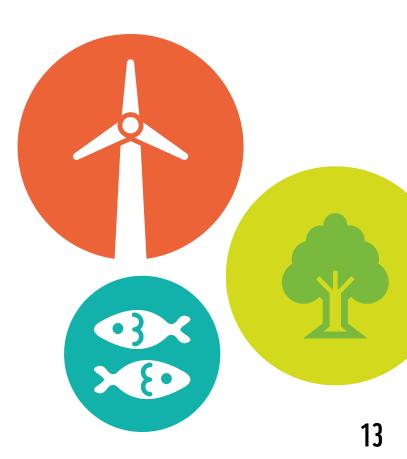
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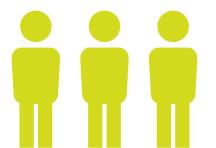
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Every single person on this planet has a carbon footprint. This means that every individual has a responsibility to reduce their own impact on our climate. In democratic countries, people also choose their governments.



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Local councils are responsible for providing local services and facilities that could affect the environment. Your elected representatives or councillors represent you at a local level.



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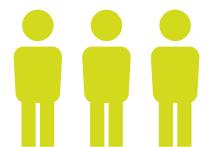
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Member of Parliament (MP) / elected representative

Individual elected to represent your interests and concerns at a national level in the House of Commons, Westminster. MPs consider and can propose new laws as well as raising issues that matter to you in Parliament. In Scotland there are also Members of the Scottish Parliament (MSP). In Wales there are also Members of the National Assembly for Wales (AM).



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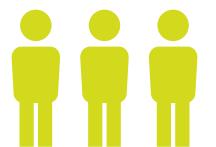
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Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

The UK Government department responsible for tackling climate change.

In Scotland, the Scottish Government Department for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform is responsible.

In Wales, the Welsh Government Department for Environment and Rural Affairs is responsible.



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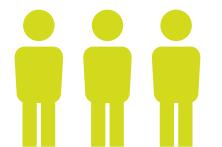
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Secretary of State for the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

This person is responsible for making a plan for the UK to meet its emissions reduction targets.

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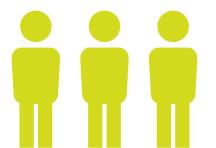
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Responsible for cutting emissions in line with UN agreements and according to the Climate Change Act which is part of UK law.

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In Wales, the Welsh Government is also responsible and there is separate legislation on climate change through the Environment Act and Well-being of Future Generations Act.



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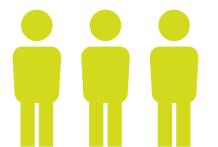
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UK Prime Minister

Head of the government, ultimately responsible for making sure the UK meets emissions reduction targets.

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We know where we want to be

We know how to get there

Now we need to take action....

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