

Climate Chaos

Day 2 Afternoon session: More on the effects of climate change – past, present and future

Activity 1: More climate change case studies

You will need

- Computers with internet access or
- Case studies printed out in advance

Aims

- To increase pupils' understanding of the effects of climate change on people's lives.
- To increase empathy with people living in different situations from their own.

What to do

Ask pupils to work in groups to find out more about the effects of climate change on people. If internet access is not easily available, seven case studies can be downloaded and printed in advance from [Global Eye's website](http://www.globaleye.org.uk/secondary_spring05/focuson/today.html).

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For groups with internet access, the site, [Climate Choices – Childrens' Voices](http://www.climatechoices.org.uk/pages/case0.htm) contains short PowerPoint presentations and video clips about the effects of climate change and some solutions that the organisation Practical Action are working on with local people.

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Ask pupils to choose one of the case studies and use their imagination to write stories or to draw pictures about the lives of the people the case study is about. Do they have families? What kind of homes do they live in? How do they spend their days? They may like to do some additional research (e.g. in the school library) about the country the people come from to help them fill in some of the gaps.

Ask for volunteers to share their stories. Ask other people who chose the same case study whether they had the same or different ideas about the people's lives. What did they base their ideas on? Try to make sure that a range of different case studies is covered in the feedback.