

Environmental Problem

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Nowadays there are many environmental problems. Especially, I think global warming is the most serious environmental problem. There are two reasons why I think this way.

First, global warming damages natural systems. For example, the coral in Okinawa prefecture is dying, because the sea temperature is too high to live in. Another reason is that global warming affects other problems such as climate change. Changes in the climate can lead to drought, heavy rain, and melting ice. Animals like the polar bears are losing their homes because of climate change. They are in danger of dying out. To improve this situation, I suggest four solutions.

First, transportation. Cars release a lot of CO₂ because they use fossil fuels. So, we need to try to use other means of transportation. I suggest using more eco-friendly options such as bicycles, hybrid cars, electrical cars, and public transportation such as buses and trains. And, we should require the government to make special rules like in Mexico or parts of South Korea. In these countries, there are timetables to limit the driving days of the privately owned cars by their car's plate number from Mondays to Fridays. Depending on the number of the license plate they will not be allowed to drive certain days of the week. Also, in Mexico city people can't drive cars on main downtown roads on Sundays. They can only ride bicycles or walk. This is good not only for the environment, but also their health. However, it'll be hard to make such a rule in Japan. Also, in Mexico, there is a system called car pool. The system is one that people who will go to the same destination to get into the same car. In Japan, similar changes are needed too.

Second, energy. Now we use thermal power to get electricity, but it gives off a lot of greenhouse gasses including CO₂, which causes global warming. Therefore, we have to change from the system to renewable energy systems. For instance, wave power, solar power, wind power, geothermal power, and hydroelectric power. These alternative options can help reduce

greenhouses.

Third, forests. We can plant trees. By doing this, we can prevent deforestation. Forests are very important, because they absorb carbon dioxide and release oxygen. Moreover, we should reduce the amount of paper being used because when they are made, trees are cut down. This project can also lead to the protection of the animals and plants.

Forth, informing people. Informing people about the importance of protecting the environment. Because of the COVID-19, people did not go out so much. Then, in China, which is the country where air pollution is a serious problem, the amount of CO₂ in the air decreased in only a few months. This was due to the fact that people stopped driving cars around. What I mean to say is that the main cause of all the environmental problems are human beings. So if we don't change awareness, the problem won't be solved.

Because of these reasons and solutions above, I think that global warming is the problem that we should pay the most attention to. We have many answers to deal with the problem, we just have to start acting on them.