

POSITIVITY FOR OUR PLANET

Can the way we *think* help the environment? Yes! Our thoughts influence our actions, and our actions lead to change. If you sincerely believe that caring for our planet is crucial, your actions will shine. But if you don't really believe that helping Earth is important, and your actions are half-hearted, what will be the results? Keeping a truly positive, hopeful outlook

is a key to caring for our global home.

The changing climate creates serious problems for Earth's people, animals, and habitats. It can be easy to let negativity get you down. But we have to take positive steps and inspire others to do the same. An optimistic attitude motivates all of us to work for a healthier world.

One of these kids has a hopeful view about caring for the environment, but the other isn't sure. Match each negative thought to the positive thought that can overcome it.

1 CLIMATE CHANGE WON'T AFFECT *ME*, SO IT'S NOT IMPORTANT.

A I LOVE SEEING PEOPLE CARE FOR OUR EARTH!

2 MOST PEOPLE DON'T CARE ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT.

B I CAN USE MY SKILLS AND TALENTS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

3 IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT WE DO. EARTH IS DOOMED.

C IF I USE REUSABLE THINGS, MY FRIENDS MIGHT TRY TO ALSO.

4 RECYCLING IS A PAIN. IS IT WORTH IT?

D I LOVE ANIMALS! I WANT TO PROTECT THEIR HOMES.

5 I DON'T WANT TO BE THE *ONLY* KID WITH A REUSABLE LUNCH BAG.

E I HAVE HOPE THAT IF WE WORK *TOGETHER*, WE CAN MAKE EARTH HEALTHIER.

6 *ONE* PERSON CAN'T MAKE A DIFFERENCE. WHY TRY?

F SCIENTISTS AGREE CLIMATE CHANGE IS REAL AND WE *HAVE* TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT!

7 SO MANY ANIMALS ARE ENDANGERED. THERE'S NO WAY WE CAN SAVE THEM ALL.

G RECYCLING IS EASY, AND THE MATERIALS MAKE AMAZING THINGS.

8 I DON'T EVEN KNOW FOR SURE IF CLIMATE CHANGE IS A *REAL* PROBLEM—WHY BOTHER TRYING TO FIX IT?

H THIS PROJECT TAKES *TIME*, BUT PEOPLE MAY CHANGE THEIR HABITS AND KEEP THE PARK CLEAN.

9 THIS IS A WASTE OF TIME. THE PARK WILL JUST BE FULL OF TRASH NEXT WEEK.

I WE HAVE TO SLOW DOWN CLIMATE CHANGE—IT IMPACTS *EVERYONE!*

