

Why we should keep the Earth clean

We should try our best to keep the earth and environment clean because it we are the ones litter and pollute. We are mainly responsible for global warming, climate change and other things that negatively impact the Earth.

An example of pollution caused by us is a chemical leak in a factory near Basel, dealing with toxic chemicals (for example dyes, pesticides and others). In 1986, a fire caused a chemical leak in this factory. Water was used to extinguish the fire but after the fire went out, the water was drained into the nearby Rhine river. The water had so many chemicals mixed together in it that the Rhine turned red once it had flowed into it. The chemicals travelled the length of the Rhine within 10 days and entered the North Sea (which the Rhine flows into). An estimated half a million fish died and some species were wiped out entirely from the Rhine, but it is unlikely that any species went extinct. People also said that the Rhine smelt like burning tyres and rotten eggs afterwards.

A way we can lessen pollution is by using recycled things and recycling things ourselves. By using recycled paper, we can decrease the number of trees that have to be chopped down to make paper in the first place. Less trees being chopped down could lead to more oxygen being produced, as trees “convert” carbon dioxide to oxygen. Carbon dioxide isn’t the only harmful gas, but it is the one that causes climate change. This happens because once there is too much of it in the atmosphere, it traps the heat from the sun and this heat causes global warming. Other harmful gases are mainly sulphur dioxide nitrogen dioxide, etc.

In conclusion I think that we should keep our planet clean because otherwise it will turn into something that resembles a desert and can’t be lived on. We have done so much to negatively impact it that we have been the cause of all the global warming since 1950. Therefore, it is our job to do as best as we can to lessen the pollution. Less pollution would lead to much less climate change/ global warming. The sun will anyway explode and vaporise the Earth and other planets in the solar system, but humans won’t be there- they will have died out already, probably because of the drastic changes in temperatures, due to global warming and climate change.