

English: Common Core Classes

Unit 9 (Environment & Ecology) - Communication

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I- Activities

1-1/ Pollution

Activity 1

• Practise this conversation :

A: Have you ever travelled alone?

B: Yes, I have.

A: When did you do that?

B : Last year.

A: I have never travelled alone, but I'll do it very soon.

Activity 2

• Mask your partner's cue card, look at your own card and follow instructions to have more conversations:

Student A

- 1. Ask B if he/she has done the following: a. cook couscous. b. visit the zoo.

 - c. plant a tree.
- 2. Answer B's questions. You ...
 - a. washed father's car this morning.
 - b. Camped in the forest last month.
 - c. swam in the river last summer.
- 3. Ask B your own questions.

Student B

- 1. Answer A's questions. You ..
 - a. cooked couscous last Friday.
 - b. visited the zoo last summer.
 - c. planted a tree last month.
- 2. Ask A if he/she has done the following:
 - a. wash father's car.
 - b. camp in the forest.
 - c. swim in the river.
- 3. Ask A your own questions.

1-2/ Deforestation

Activity 1

• Practise this conversation :

A: Have you done your homework yet?

B: Yes, I have already done it.

A: Lucky you! When did you do it?

B: I did it this afternoon.

A: I haven't done it yet. I need to do it right away.

Activity 2

 Mask your partner's cue card, look at your own card and follow instructions to have more conversations:

Student A

- Ask B if he/she has done the following:
 a. write essay about water pollution.
 b. water the garden.
 c. clean the room.
- Answer B's questions. You ...
 a. finished the project yesterday.
 b. read the article last week.
 - c. took the garbage out in the evening.
- 3. Ask B your own questions.

Student B

- Answer A's questions. You ...
 a. wrote the essay yesterday.
 b. watered the garden this afternoon.
 c. cleaned your room this morning.
- Ask A if he/she has done the following:
 a. finish the project about rain forests.
 b. read the article about oil spills.
 c. take the garbage out.
- 3. Ask A your own questions.

1-3/ Save the Planet

Expressing Possibility

Fish and other sea organisms may die because of oil spills.

I think it may be dangerous to live near a nuclear power plant because of radiation.

Every body *could* possibly help save the planet. For example people *may* teach their children to care for their environment inside and outside their homes. The government *could* pass laws to minimize pollution in all its forms. Businesses *may* improve the quality of their products.

Activity 1

Practice this conversation :

A: Do you think it's too late to save the planet?

B: I'm not sure, but it may be too late.

A: Why do you think so?

B: People are not doing anything to save it.

A: What do you think they can do?

B: They could plant more trees.

Activity 2

 Look at your own cue card and follow the instructions to have a conversation with your partner:

Student A

- 1. Ask B his / her opinion about the rivers.
- Answer B's questions. You think it is possible to save the seas, but people must find a solution to oil spills.
- 3. Ask B questions about the birds.
- Answer B's questions. You think it is possible to save the fish if people stop polluting the sea.

Student B

- Answer A's questions. You think it is possible to save the rivers if people stop throwing garbage there.
- 2. Ask A his / her opinion about the seas.
- Answer A's questions. You think that it is possible to save the birds if people stop logging trees.
- 4. Ask A his / her opinion about the fish.

II- Practice

2-1/ Exercise 1

- Read each of the four statements below, and check the appropriate response (a or b):
- 1."We can convince people to be more careful about the environment."
 - a. Yes, we have the right to do this.
 - b. Yes, it is possible to do this.
- 2. "Long term planning may save the Argan tree."
 - a. Yes, only planning will make this possible.
 - b. Yes, we have the permission to do this.
- 3. "It's not too late; many endangered species could be saved."
 - a. You're right; many endangered species were saved in the past.
 - b. Yes, it is still possible to save many endangered species.
- 4. "Wind could be used to produce a cleaner energy, so why don't we use it?"
 - a. I agree with you; this was a possible solution in the past.
 - b. I agree; this is a possible solution to the problem of pollution.