

Pollution Must End

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You wake up and immediately smell the scent of smoke and feel sweat bead on your forehead. This is what waking up will feel like if humans continue to destroy earth by polluting. We can fix this by using woven bags, cutting down on CO² emission, and by recycling. By not polluting, we can save our earth.

To begin with, people should use woven reusable bags instead of plastic bags. Plastic bags are weaker than reusable woven bags. Plastic bags also take thousands of years to decompose, this means that plastic bags will sit unused in landfills for over one thousand years! Yes, they may cost a few dollars, but a healthy Earth is priceless. You claim that you reuse your plastic bags, but what happens when they tear and become unusable? You throw them out. Adding to the problem, plastic bags get into habitats, especially oceans, and cause animals to die because they get confused between plastic bags and jellyfish. My family reuses bags and will double up on heavy objects so they don't tear.

Following up plastic bags, cutting down CO² emission. CO², or carbon dioxide, is a greenhouse gas. This means that it insulates the heat that enters earth's atmosphere and causes global warming. We all put carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, but we all put too much. Did you know that for every mile a car drives (even a small car) one pound of carbon dioxide is put into Earth's atmosphere? This means that all the miles the billions of cars that are driving on the street are adding up to be one of the most harmful things we do to our atmosphere today. This is why the earth is getting warmer. To pursue further, all the smog that factories produce overwhelms the amount of oxygen that trees can produce. Both of these reasons are big problems in large cities. In my household whenever we go down to the shore, we walk to the park to save the environment. It's a short distance, but we go there a lot saving gas, money, and the earth (to a shortened degree).

To finalize, recycling. Recycling will reduce the amount of landfills that humans need. This will also cut down on the CO² because the trees in our forests take CO² out of our atmosphere and add oxygen into our atmosphere. Landfills produce tons of CO² with all of the decaying trash. Forests have most of the trees which will take the CO² out of the atmosphere and add oxygen into the air. In addition, recycling will provide humans with more materials to use for new technologies and a better, cleaner Earth. Also, litter in

landfills will take flight like a bird in the wind and into habitats where animals will eat it and suffer to death. My family recycles as many things as we can.

The facts conclude that if we use reusable woven bags, limit the carbon dioxide put into our atmosphere, and by recycling. We can make our world a better place by ending our habits of polluting, by recycling more, and abusing landfills less. Now go out there and save the world!