

Nature Now

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“Nature is a tool we can use to repair our broken climate, but we are ignoring it.”

The Guardian : we made this short film with *Greta Thunberg* and George Monbiot in advance of the global climate strikes on Sept 20th 2019 and the UN summit in NYC to bring attention and action to this urgent issue.

*This is not a drill. My name is Greta Thunberg. We are living in the beginning of a mass extinction. Our climate is breaking down. Children like me are giving up their education to protest. But we **can** still fix this. **You** can still fix this.*

To survive, we need to stop burning fossil fuels. But this alone will not be enough. Lots of solutions are talked about. But what about the solution that is right in front of us? I'll let my friend George explain.

There is a magic machine that sucks carbon out of the air, costs very little and builds itself. It's called... a tree. A tree is an example of a natural climate solution. Mangroves, peat bogs, jungles, marshes, seabeds, kelp forests, swamps, coral reefs, they take carbon out of the air and lock it away. Nature is a tool we can use to repair our broken climate. These natural climate solutions could make a massive difference.

Pretty cool, right? But only if we also leave fossil fuels in the ground.

Here's the crazy part... right now we are ignoring them. We spend 1000 times more on global fossil fuels subsidies than natural based solutions.

Natural climate solutions get just 2% of all the money used on tackling climate breakdown.

This is your money. It is your taxes and your savings.

Even more crazy, right now when we need nature the most, we're destroying it faster than ever.

Up to 200 species are going extinct every single day.

Much of the arctic ice is gone. Most of our wild animals have gone. Much of our soil has gone.

So what should we do? What should YOU do? It's simple...

*We need to **PROTECT**, **RESTORE** and **FUND**.*

***PROTECT** : Tropical forests are being cut down at the rate of 30 football pitches a minute.*

Where Nature is doing something vital we must protect it.

***RESTORE** : Much of our planet has been damaged.*

But Nature can regenerate and we can help ecosystems bounce back.

***FUND** : We need to stop funding things that destroy nature and pay for things that help it. It is that simple
PROTECT RESTORE FUND*

This can happen everywhere. Many people have already begun using natural climate solutions.

We need to do it on a massive scale.

***You** can be part of this.*

VOTE for people who defend nature.

***SHARE** this video. Talk about this.*

All around the world there are amazing movements fighting for nature. JOIN them.

*Everything counts. What **you** do, counts.*

VOCABULARY FROM THE VIDEO

mondial :	le sol :
climat :	dingue :
grève :	subventions :
un problème :	s'attaquer à :
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abandonner, sacrifier :	économies :
tomber en panne, se dégrader :	a disparu :
réparer :	animaux sauvages :
combustibles fossiles :	soutenir financièrement :
pas assez :	un terrain de football :
CO2 :	endommagé :
enfermer, capturer :	rebondir :
outil :	à grande échelle :
brisé :	

THE MESSAGE : We can / we must / we mustn't / we should / we shouldn't ?

bring attention to the issue of global warming
continue to burn oil
cut down more trees
destroy the nature
find alternative fuels
find simple, individual solutions
ignore climate change and pretend it's not here
leave fossil fuels in the ground
make more films to sensitize the general public
protect, restore and fund
protest and fight
remain passive and silent
repair our broken climate
plant more trees
stop burning fossil fuels
spend more money on natural climate solutions
subsidize oil companies
support this type of action
use natural solutions
worry about global warming

PERSONAL OPINION

What do you think of Greta Thunberg and her strategy?

Vocabulary from the video

TEACHER

mondial : global
le climat : the climate
grève : strike
un problème : an issue
exercice de sécurité : drill
abandonner, sacrifier : give up
tomber en panne, se dégrader : break down
réparer : fix
combustibles fossiles : fossil fuels
pas assez : not enough
CO2 : carbon
enfermer, capturer : lock away
outil : tool
brisé : broken
le sol : the ground
dingue : crazy
subventions : subsidies
s'attaquer à : tackle
impôts : taxes
économies : savings
a disparu : is/have/has gone
animaux sauvages : wild animals
soutenir financièrement : fund
un terrain de football : a football pitch
endommagé : damaged
rebondir : bounce back
à grande échelle : on a massive scale