

Know Your Footprint

Carbon dioxide, or CO₂, is a gas in our atmosphere. Too much CO₂ can cause severe changes in our planet's climate! **Reduce carbon emissions** today!



Use Less Fuel

Most vehicles **use fossil fuels** and produce a lot of CO₂. Take the bus or **carpool**—it's more efficient!



Conserve Water

Take short showers and don't use more water than necessary.



Save Electricity

Most **power plants** generate electricity using fossil fuels. Save electricity by turning off lights and appliances when you aren't using them.



Plant Trees

Trees absorb carbon dioxide, protect the **soil** and keep temperatures cooler in the summer. Plant one today!



Use Clean Energy

Solar panels and wind turbines don't **pollute** the environment.



Recycle

Where does your garbage go? Every day, cities **send tons of rubbish to landfills**. But many materials shouldn't go there—they can be used again. Recycle paper, plastic, **glass** and metal.



2 Complete the phrases. Then tick (✓) the actions that help the environment.

1. _____ trees
2. _____ electricity
3. _____ the environment
4. _____ your carbon footprint
5. conserve _____
6. send rubbish to _____
7. use clean _____
8. use fossil _____

1 Look at the pictures and circle the correct option.

1



conserve water / pollute the environment

2



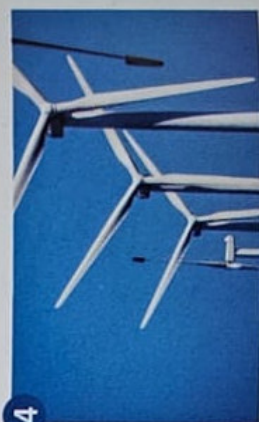
use fossil fuels / plant trees

3



recycle / send rubbish to landfills

4



save electricity / use clean energy

Guess What!

Our **carbon footprint** is the amount of carbon dioxide we produce.