## CLIMATE CHANGE... IS IT FOR ME?

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### CLIMATE CHANGE

## WHAT IS CLIMATE CHANGE?

Climate change is defined by the The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) as a change of climate which is attributed directly or indirectly to human activity that alters the composition of the global atmosphere and which is in addition to natural climate variability observed over comparable time periods.

Climate change is a result of human activity and is threatening our way of life and the future of the planet. Only by facing climate change we will be able to build a sustainable world for all.



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#### **GRETA THUNBERG**

Swedish environmental activist known for challenging world leaders to take immediate action for climate change mitigation. Leader of the climate strike movement Fridays for Future.

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DID YOU KNOW THAT THE
UNITED NATIONS ADOPTED THE
2030 AGENDA WITH 17 SDG TO
BUILD A MORE FAIR,
SUSTAINABLE AND EQUITABLE
WORLD? ONE OF THEM (SGD 13)
IS CLIMATE ACTION

### CLIMATE CHANGE

#### CLICK ON T PROJECT

The Project responds to the urgent need to raise awareness on the environmental problems caused by the acceleration of climate change.

The European Community, which has always been sensitive to the problem, considers that the disinterest of adult population endangers the commitment that each of us should make to reduce CO2 emissions.

Click on T brings together 5 nations, Italy, Spain, Poland, Lithuania and Romania.





#### **CLICK ON T**

The name of the project (Climate Change Knowledge on Training) points out the problem of Earth, aiming at creating useful tools for educating adults with nonformal techniques and digital media. A word of mouth on environmental awareness that, thanks to the commitment of the partners of different countries, will spread among the adult population of our Europe.

### CARBON FOOTPRINT

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The Carbon Footprint of
Organization is the **totality of greenhouse gases emitted, by direct or indirect effect,** through the activity that said organization develops.

The Carbon Footprint of Event is the totality of greenhouse gases emitted, by direct or indirect effect, during the event.

The Carbon Footprint of a Person is determined by the totality of greenhouse gases emitted, by direct or indirect effect, through a person's daily activities.

THE CARBON FOOTPRINT IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT INTERNATIONAL INDICATORS TO MEASURE THE EFFECTS OF HUMAN ACTIVITY ON CLIMATE CHANGE.



# ACTIVITY. CALCULATE YOUR CARBON FOOTPRINT.

Our carbon footprint is determined by all of our daily habits. From the time we wake up and turn on the light to the moment we choose to travel by car, bus or bicycle. These small decisions mark our contribution to climate change.

This activity will be focused on daily habits at home, specifically in terms of:

- Electricity consumption.
- Heat consumption.
- Water consumption.

You only need:

- Pencil or pen.
- Your household bills.
- Print these sheets or write this information in a notebook.

LET'S GO!



## ACTIVITY. CALCULATE YOUR CARBON FOOTPRINT.

#### **ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION**

- Gather all your last year's electricity bills.
- Search your energy consumption in kWh for each month.
- Add up all the bills.
- Multiply the result by the factor 0.41 kgCO2/kWh.



Month	Consumption kWh
JANUARY	
FEBRUARY	
MARCH	
APRIL	
MAY	
JUNE	
JULY	
AUGUST	
SEPTEMBER	
OCTOBER	
NOVEMBER	
DECEMBER	

If you do not know how to interpret the electricity bill, you can find more information HERE

Annual Consumption kWh	
GHG emissions (kgCO2)	

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#### **HEAT CONSUMPTION**

- Used for the production of hot water and heating.
- You have to know the type of fuel you use in your home (natural gas, diesel, biomass ...)
- Gather your last year's bills to add up all o f them and multiply by the specific fuel converter.



Consumption (units)

Natural gas (kgCO2/kWh)	0,202
Diesel C (kgCO2/I)	2,868
Butane gas (kgCO2/kg)	2,964
Propane gas (kgCO2/kg)	2,938
Biomass	

Annual Consumption (units)	
GHG emissions (kgCO2)	

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#### WATER CONSUMPTION

- Gather all your last year's water bills.
- Search your water consumption in m3 for each month (or every two months).
- Add up all the bills.
- Multiply the result by the factor 0.24 kgCO2 / m3.



Month	Consumption (units)
JANUARY	
FEBRUARY	
MARCH	
APRIL	
MAY	
JUNE	
JULY	
AUGUST	
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Did you know that climate change, economic development and population growth will cause the global demand for water to exceed the available supply by 40% in 2030?

Mitigating the impacts of climate change and water scarcity will lead to adaptation projects in water governance, particularly in irrigation, the user with highest consumption.

Annual Consumption m3
GHG emissions (kgCO2)

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#### **CARBON FOOTPRINT**

- Add up all GHG emissions from each consumption.
- Divide by the number of people who live with you at the same address.
- YOU KNOW NOW YOUR CARBON FOOTPRINT!

ITEM	GHG emissions (kgCO2)
Electricity Consumption	
Heat Consumption	
Water Consumption	

People living with you
Carbon Footprint (kgCO2/person/year)

Which is the item with the highest emission? Why?

## FINAL THOUGHTS. How can you reduce your carbon footprint? Write down some ideas How coul your school's carbon footprint be reduced?

### LEARN MORE...

#### WHAT IS CLIMATE CHANGE?

Video produced by National Geographic.

#### **ENERGY GIDE**

Guide edited by the IDAE (Institute for Energy Diversification and Saving on energy consumption) with many tips to reduce consumption.

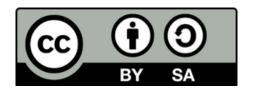
#### CLIMATE COMMUNITY

#PorElClima was born to accelerate climate action in different sectors of society. One of the main objectives is bringing together the climate pioneers, those who are already fighting the climate crisis and reducing their emissions to achieve the goal of 1.5 and carbon neutrality by 2050.

## SDG 13. CLIMATE ACTION

<u>Video on SDG 13 CLIMATE ACTION</u> <u>produced by Unesco Centre Basque</u> <u>Country.</u> The goal of 1.5°C aims not to exceed this increase in temperature by the end of the century.

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