

- ① Task: Write a comment expressing your opinion on climate change and its impact on the planet (180 words). Use the following text chunks and terms to help you:
- Text chunks: *In my opinion, ...* | *The evidence shows that ...* | *A nother important aspect...* | *However,* | *While some might argue that* | *On the other hand*
  - Helpful terms: *climate change, greenhouse gases, carbon footprint, global temperatures, severe weather events, renewable energy, solar power, wind power, awareness, education*
  - Plan your answer before you write, ask yourself:  
*What is my strongest argument? Is there another opinion I need to adress? How do I convince the reader?*

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## Vocabulary training - Climate Change

② Match the vocabulary word on the left with its corresponding definition on the right.

1 Renewable energy sources

a. a person who studies or is an expert in science

2 carbon emissions

b. a machine or piece of equipment that uses energy

3 deforestation

c. the process of converting waste materials into new materials and objects

4 fossil fuels

d. the gases produced by burning fossil fuels

5 scientist

e. the removal of forests, often to clear land for farming or other purposes

6 appliance

f. fuels such as coal, oil, and gas that are formed from the remains of ancient plants and animals

7 recycling

g. sources of energy that are naturally replenished and can be used over and over again



Exercise 2



Exercise 3

③ Fill in the blank with the correct vocabulary word.

1. Many countries are trying to reduce their \_\_\_\_\_ by promoting the use of renewable energy sources.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ is the process of breaking down waste materials and turning them into new products.

3. The burning of \_\_\_\_\_ fuels is one of the main causes of climate change.

4. \_\_\_\_\_ is the removal of trees and other vegetation from an area of land.

5. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a person who studies or is an expert in science.

6. An \_\_\_\_\_ is a machine or piece of equipment that uses energy.

7. \_\_\_\_\_ energy sources are those that are naturally replenished and can be used over and over again.

## Synonym Swap

- ① Choose a topic or theme to write about. Some ideas may include: a hobby or interest, a favourite place to visit, a memorable experience, or a current event.
- ② Write about the topic for a few minutes, using words that come to mind naturally. Don't worry about using synonyms at this stage.
- ③ Review your writing and highlight any words that you feel are too repetitive or could be replaced with a synonym.
- ④ Using a thesaurus, look up synonyms for the highlighted words and select a few that you think would work well in the context.
- ⑤ Rewrite your writing, replacing the original words with the chosen synonyms.
- ⑥ Review your work and evaluate how the use of synonyms has impacted the clarity, flow and impact of your writing.


**Example:** Climate Change

**Original writing:**

Climate change is an important issue. Climate change is having a major impact on the planet. Climate change is causing many problems. We need to do something about climate change.

**Synonym swaps:**

Global warming is a pressing concern. The phenomenon is greatly affecting the earth. Environmental degradation is a consequence of climate change. It's imperative that we take action to combat this issue.

**Evaluation:** The use of synonyms has added variety and depth to the writing, making it more engaging and interesting to read. The vocabulary has also been expanded, which is a key component of improving the variety in writing and speaking skills.