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GREEN GANG

Green jobs
of the
future

Tips &
Tricks for
Recycling

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Environmental lawyer and urban farmer – two green jobs of the future and their positive impact on the environment

Green jobs are the jobs which have a positive impact on environment. They are related for example to renewable energy sources, waste management or public transport. The idea of green jobs comes from people's conviction that climate change is caused by human activities and we need to do our best to contain those changes. Some of green jobs are for example: renewable energy engineer, sustainability expert, environmental technician or natural scientist. In this article I would like to present two specific green jobs; the first one is an environmental lawyer.

Environmental lawyers work is very similar to regular lawyers work, with the restriction that it's limited to the area of environmental law. First, environmental lawyers cooperate with the clients who need an advises on cases that are connected to the environmental protection (for example, they could estimate environmental risk for investors). Environmental lawyers could work in private companies, universities or government. Their job is important because it can have positive impact on our environment.

The next green job I would like to present is urban farmer. Currently – living in the cities – we often feel lack of natural spaces. Urban farming is about growing and producing food in cities. It has positive impact on environment as well – for example it could let us reduce the carbon footprint and it creates green spaces in the city, which improves air circulation.

Green jobs are getting more and more common these days and they will probably play an important role in the future, letting us save the place of our lives.

EU environmental strategy 2030

For many years people were treating earth without respect and without understanding the impact of their actions. From global warming to air and water pollution, nowadays that impact is more than visible. As members of this society we had to take measures to eliminate the consequences of our actions before it is too late. EU has already made a few steps. The main strategy for the upcoming years is the biodiversity strategy. It's an ambitious, comprehensive and long term plan to protect nature and reverse the degradation of ecosystems. With the help of this strategy and the European Green Deal it's possible to make a path to recovery by 2030. These strategies focusing on the impact of climate change, the forest fires, food insecurity and disease outbreaks and to be successful there are some actions that have to be done. Some of them are the establishment of a larger EU-wide network of protected areas on land and at sea, the launching of a EU nature restoration, the introducing of some measures to enable the necessary transformative change and the introducing of measures to tackle the global biodiversity challenge. At the end it's important to understand that without any change the problems will become worse and worse and the conclusion will be catastrophic even for our lives.

TIPS AND TRICKS FOR RECYCLING

Recycling definition

It is the process of converting waste into reusable material. Simpler it is the process of collecting and processing materials that would be thrown away as trash and turning them into new products.

Why is it so important?

Recycling is very beneficial for the community and the environment. It helps protect the environment by reducing the need of extracting and conserving resources, it saves energy and money, it prevents pollution by reducing the amount of waste that ends up in landfills.

How can I do it?

There are simple and easy ways to recycle. Here are some tips:

- Know what to throw. Materials such as paper, cardboard, glass, plastic, metal, aluminum, steel and even food waste if you can find an organics collection program.
- Know what not to throw. Plastic bags and wraps, anything that can tangle around stuff or products that are toxic can NOT be recycled.

4+1 Recycling Hacks

1. Rinse your recyclables. It is okay to leave a little bit of residue on your recyclables but it is very important to rinse as much food leftovers off as possible.
2. Just because it has a recycling triangle does not mean it is recyclable. The recycling triangle can be misleading but it sometimes helps manufacturers determine what kind of plastic was used for an object. So be careful!
3. Keep plastic bags out of the recycling. The reason why plastic bags are not recyclable is that because they tend to get caught in machinery at recycling facilities. So don't bag your recyclables throw them directly at the recycling bin.
4. Electronics, batteries and clothes can be recycled or reused by returning them to the store and NOT by throwing them away.
5. Don't recycle anything smaller than a credit card. You may be tempted to recycle everything once you get into it but it is important to do the credit card test. If it is bigger than a credit card it can be thrown into the recycling bin. If not then toss it in the trash.

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Human impact on the climate change

Natural environment is an integral part of our lives. It has an impact on our comfort and health. Unfortunately it is constantly changing because of the human activity.

At the beginning human impact on climate change wasn't that big. Over time, when the industry and agriculture began to develop, and the population started to grow, everything has changed. Initially people didn't pay attention to the state of our planet. It has changed, when the majority of population started to feel the effects of climate change.

Negative impact of human activities

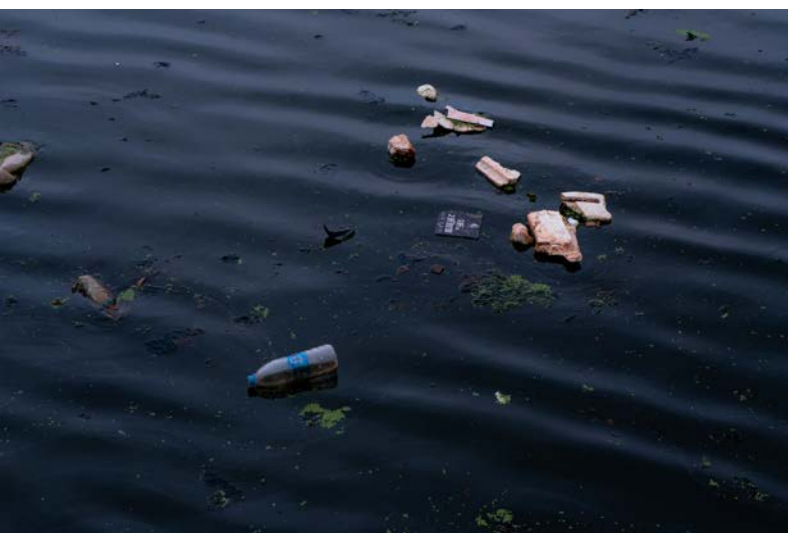
Deforestation. Tree is not only a plant, it is a life. People slowly begin to forget about it. The main cause of deforestation is human activity – industries connected using wood, animal husbandry and intensive farming or construction. The effect of deforestation is the reduction of plant and animal species. Many of them are threatened with extinction, therefore tree removal is a huge problem for our planet.

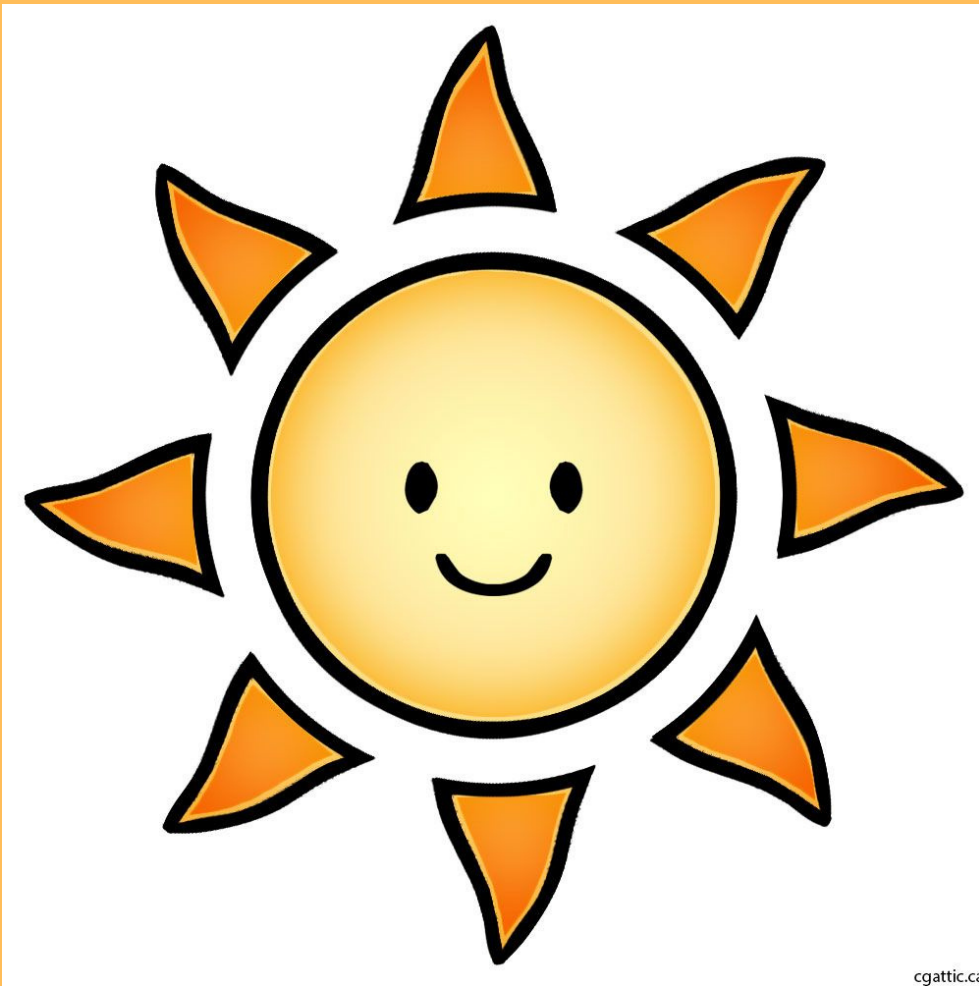
Contamination. Nowadays, men produce enormous amounts of waste. It all spreads to our surroundings. One of the many causes of air pollution is low emissions, such as fumes from boilers and furnaces. They are called smog, which is an unnatural atmospheric phenomenon.

Water pollution. Water is a very important thing in humans, plants and animals lives. There is no life without water. The question is why do we pollute it? Water pollution mainly comes from wastewater. Surface and ground runoff from industrial, agricultural and landfill sites. They have a huge impact on the pollution of such an important nutrient in our lives – water. Only 1% of the world's water resources are potable. This amount must be sufficient for humans, plants and animals. Many organisms living in the waters of our world are dying. This is their home.

We have beautiful houses. We want them to be clean and beautiful. Unfortunately, we forget that our beautiful, real home is our planet, which we should not forget about. Let's take care of our home.

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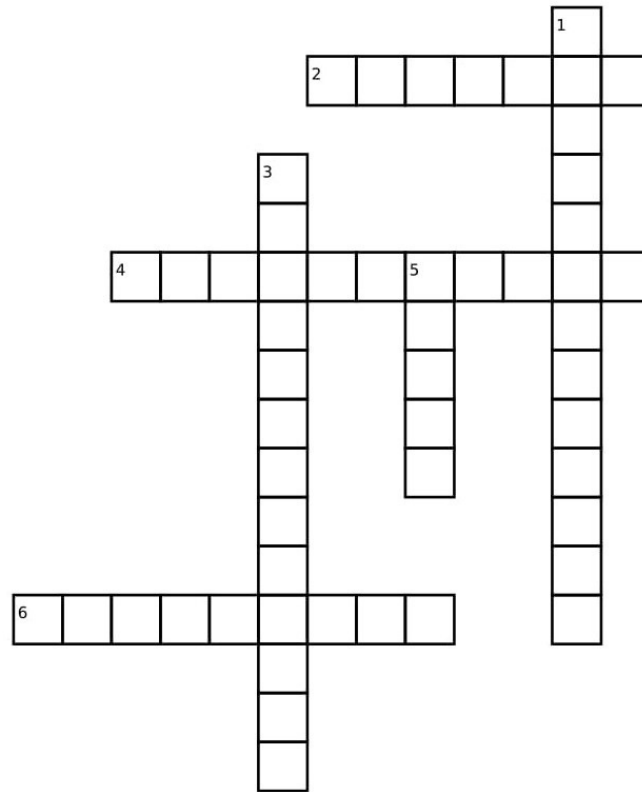


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Crossword Puzzle



Down:

1. the long-term heating of Earth's climate system
3. the action of clearing the wide area of trees
5. the planet where we live

Across:

2. use again
4. not harmful for the environment
6. the presence in the environment of a substance which has harmful effects

