

## Creating the future we want

What kind of future do I want? I want a future full of peace and safety. I don't want destruction. I want somewhere I can call home. We need a better plan for our future because when the time comes, we will have nowhere to go and feel safe in. What we have now doesn't work for anyone. We need a better system for our Earth.

I want to drink water without thinking about all the chemicals in our water systems from factories or construction sites. I don't want trees to be cut down before we even find a way to keep more trees on Earth.

Our air is being polluted everyday by cars, factories, boats, etc. I want to go outside and breathe in as much air as I can, and say, "The world couldn't be a better place." Soon, our air could be dangerous for all of us. If we inhale too much of it, we could get sick.

We need to think about how we are living now. If we don't change what we do in our everyday life we could start killing the Earth slowly. Even now we are killing it. Think about all the animals and people on it. Most of us can't live in bad conditions. We could stop this by walking to school rather than taking the bus. Enjoy what the world has to offer. Take a walk, and enjoy something that feels like freedom.

We really need to find a way to keep our Earth strong and healthy so the people and animals on it can live strong and healthy. We take care of the Earth, and it gives us what we need. We might live longer because most of our resources would be taken care of before we lose them forever.

I really want my future or anyone's future to be bright, full of discoveries and new solutions. We never know, we might find new solutions like a cure for cancer, make new ways to keep us healthier, and maybe something even better. We just need to keep our air clean, water systems clear from harmful chemicals, even ourselves out of danger. I really want us to enjoy what we have before we lose it forever.

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