

Answers

1. When is Earth Day celebrated?
Earth Day is celebrated each year on April 22nd.
2. What incident prompted Earth Day?
The incident that prompted Earth Day was an oil spill in California in 1970.
3. Which word means 'a group of people living together, sharing the same values'?
'Community' means a group of people living together and sharing the same values.
4. Give two possible reasons for climate change.
Two possible reasons for climate change would be using fossil fuels and cutting down trees.
5. Wind, sun and water are examples of renewable energy. Why are these better than fossil fuels?
Renewable energy sources are better than fossil fuels because they produce no pollution or carbon dioxide so they are better for the environment.
6. In the fact box at the end, the author compares tree loss to the size of a football field. Why do you think that is?
By comparing tree loss to the size of a football field, the author helps you to imagine just how many trees are cut down each minute. You can imagine 48 football fields better than 15 billion trees.
7. Carbon dioxide is described as a greenhouse gas. What does that mean?
A greenhouse is somewhere warm that traps heat in order to help plants grow. Carbon dioxide is called a greenhouse gas because it traps heat and causes the Earth to warm up.
8. Do you think the author supports Earth Day? Give a reason for your answer.
I think the author supports Earth Day because they use phrases such as 'trees are amazing!' which shows they are interested in the subject. Also, they give suggestions for how to support Earth Day.
9. Look at the subheading 'Trees for Life!' Which of the following would be the most suitable replacement for this subheading? Explain your choice.
A suitable replacement would be 'Why Are Trees Important?' because the paragraph describes how trees are an important part of the environment.
10. What is the main purpose of this article? Give three reasons.
The main purpose of this article is to tell the reader when Earth Day takes place, why Earth Day is celebrated and how the reader can join in and support Earth Day.