

Task: Read the text and do the following exercises.

NATURE AND TECHNOLOGY

Hi, kids! I'm Joss Baxter. I'm a national park ranger so, as you can imagine, I'm interested in nature. I am also worried, not about our national parks but about the climate. The US is one of the most modern countries in the world. We have all the newest technologies: Cars, planes, refrigerators and are just a few of them. They make life easier for us. But they produce gases which are changing the world's climate. The Earth is getting warmer. Some of you think, "That's great! We'll have longer summers and even greater beach parties!"

And that's true! But it means disaster not only for animals like the polar bear, whose home is disappearing. In the US, for example, we have always had tornados. But higher temperatures mean more storms and bigger storms. The tornado which hit New Orleans in August 2005 was more than 100 miles across. Tornados bring strong winds, rain and floods but higher temperatures also bring drought to many countries, which have no rain for years. So what can we do? We can't just stop using the things which technology has given us and we can't yet use technology to stop tornados or make it rain! But we can all change the way we live. For a start we can use less electricity, drive smaller cars and use public transport. So before you switch on the air-conditioning or jump in the car to drive to the shopping mall for an ice-cream, think! Maybe you can get cool under a tree with a large glass of lemonade!

A) Skills

Read the article and find the English words for these German words

- a) Klima _____
- b) Klimaanlage _____
- c) Gase _____
- d) Eisbär _____

B) Understanding

Read the article again and complete the sentences.

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| a) Joss Baxter is a | 1 Teacher | 2 Park ranger | 3 Farmer |
| b) She is worried about | 1 Nature | 2 The national parks | 3 The climate |
| c) Technology makes life | 1 Warmer | 2 Easier | 3 Longer |
| d) They have always had | 1 Tornados | 2 Polar bears | 3 Beach parties |
| e) Tornados bring | 1 Rain and floods | 2 Drought and rain | 3 Wind and gases |
| f) We can all | 1 Make it rain | 2 Change how we live | 3 Drive bigger cars |
| g) You could get cool | 1 In a fridge | 2 In the sea | 3 Under a tree |

LÖSUNGEN

Arbeitsplan Woche 2

Abgabe Woche 3