

Talk Time

Ask your partners the following questions. For each question, ask one more *Wh* question. Write the answers in the boxes. Ask the full question, but you may write a short answer.

Questions:	Partner 1	Partner 2	Partner 3
Have you heard the term “green” before? What do you think it means?			
<i>Wh question</i>			
What steps can people take to reduce their carbon footprints?			
<i>Wh question</i>			
What do you think about buying used clothes?			
<i>Wh question</i>			
Is some pollution necessary?			
<i>Wh question</i>			
Do you think environmental pollution will get better or worse in the next 50 years?			
<i>Wh question</i>			
There is a saying: “Think globally, act locally.” What does it mean? Do you agree?			
<i>Wh question</i>			

3) Going Green

Warm Up

Read the sentences. Put “T” for True, and “F” for false. Then ask a partner. Are your answers the same?

	True/False YOU	True/ False PARTNER
I have eaten organic food before.		
I try to buy items made from recycled materials when I have the choice.		
Buying used clothes has a negative connotation.		
I think food from a farmers market is better than food from a supermarket.		
I think New Yorkers are overly concerned with recycling.		
I prefer to take public transportation because it is better for the environment.		
The leaders in my country are doing a good job reducing pollution.		
I would never wear vintage or recycled clothes because they are not stylish.		
The world would be a better place to live in if there were fewer people.		
People in my country are more eco-friendly than New Yorkers.		

Conversation

Michelle: Hey Dominic, it’s supposed to rain tomorrow. Would you mind giving me a ride to school in your car?

Dominic: Actually, I sold my car last week. Sorry.

Michelle: You did? Why?

Dominic: Well, with pollution the way it is, I wanted to reduce my carbon footprint. I just felt too guilty driving it.

Michelle: Are you *nuts*? I’ve wanted a car for ages, but I couldn’t afford one. So forgive me if I don’t sympathize with you.

Dominic: Come on, walking is good for us. And public transportation in this city is great!

Michelle: Oh, brother. You’ve never had to wait 30 minutes for a bus at rush hour in the rain, have you?

Dominic: Well, no...

Michelle: Or been stuck in a subway car for an hour underground with no air-conditioning.

Dominic: Oh no! What have I done!