

CLIMATE



POWER

PACK

EMERGENCY

Dear young activists,

In this pack we offer five ways to begin thinking about the climate emergency through quotes from young climate activists. The quotes focus on land, power, water and waste – things affecting the environment which are all part of our daily lives. The last quote is about change, and thinking about what we would like for our future.

Through these activities, we invite you to learn about climate activism around the world and to consider ways to make changes in your own environment.

We believe that there's power in our collective imagination and that all big changes begin as ideas for the future.

We invite you to be playful in your journey through the activities and use drawing as a way to experiment.

On the back of this pack you'll find a letter of encouragement by London-based climate activist group Wretched of the Earth, to support you in your climate activism.

Celebrate the work of young climate activists making changes around the world. Tear off a page and put it on your bedroom wall, place it in your window for passers-by to see, or share it with a friend. What are the changes you'd like to see in the world?

AUTUMN



OUR WATER SHOULD NOT BE FOR SALE.
WE ALL HAVE A RIGHT TO THIS WATER
AS WE NEED IT

PELTIER

WATER



Everything on the planet
needs water to live. Draw
ten things that will not
survive without water.

ABORIGINAL ACTIVISTS GROUP



IF YOU HAVE COME HERE TO HELP ME YOU ARE
WASTING YOUR TIME. BUT IF YOU HAVE COME
BECAUSE YOUR LIBERATION IS BOUND UP
WITH MINE THEN LET US WORK TOGETHER

QUEENSLAND, 1970S

WASTE



How can we help stop waste?
Humans and animals all suffer when the
places we live in fill up with rubbish and
things that we no longer use.
What are the things we usually throw away?
Draw these, giving them a new life.

DAPHNE



YOU HAVE MORE POWER THAN YOU REALIZE

FRIAS

POWER



Taking oil and gas from the earth destroys the homes of many living creatures, harms the earth and pollutes the atmosphere. What are all the ways we can make energy without harming the earth? Draw them here.

NINA



**WE MUST KEEP THE OIL IN THE GROUND,
WE MUST DEFEND THE AMAZON,
WE MUST FIGHT AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE,
WE MUST PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT**

GUALINGA

LAND



Think about different places in the world that might need protection. Draw these places and some caretakers protecting the land.

MARI



ANYONE CAN CHANGE THE WORLD
NO MATTER HOW SMALL YOU ARE

COPENY

CHANGE



Water, waste, power and land are all important parts of our environment. What kind of changes would you like to see in your local area? Draw some of these changes here.

It's easy to panic when we're thinking about something as big and scary as CLIMATE CHANGE. For decades, big companies and rich countries, like the UK, have harmed people and the planet, in order to create cities like London where some can live in luxury and comfort. And now our planet is heating up, causing even more harm to communities around the world as well as other species.

Many people, like those introduced in this resource, have been warning about the destruction caused by this way of life while also working to build alternatives. Fortunately, it seems like nowadays more and more people are beginning to listen. As we work together to figure out what needs to change in order to allow ourselves and our home, planet Earth, a chance to heal and regenerate, we think it's very important to pay special attention to how we do it. This is what some call CLIMATE JUSTICE.

Climate justice is a way of responding to the problem of the climate getting hotter while also creating space for all people, both in the UK and around the world, to live good, happy, healthy lives. We can all contribute to climate justice, from wherever we are, through our daily ACTIONS. We can seek to transform how we relate to ourselves and each other and understand that we're not above other people and beings but rather part of nature. In this way we become climate justice.

When we live in a spirit of panic, we see the world and other people through a lens of fear, which often leads to selfishness and aggression. Instead, we can work together in a spirit of COMMUNITY and CARE, recognising that how we face up to the problems of our lives and of the world is really everything.

Let's become the change we want to see.

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Climate activists included in the pack

Autumn Peltier is an Indigenous climate activist from Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory in Canada who fights for water conservation and Indigenous water rights. At eight years old, she became a water protector. At the age of thirteen, Peltier addressed world leaders at the UN General Assembly on the issue of water protection.

Mari Copeny is known as Little Miss Flint. When she was eight years old, she wrote to President Obama, fighting for clean water in her hometown of Flint, Michigan, in the US. She is now working with a water filtration company to bring clean water to communities that don't have it.

Daphne Frias is a disabled climate warrior who helps young people across the US organise their own climate strike events.

Aboriginal activists group were active in Queensland, Australia, in the 1970s and have served as an inspiration for many activist groups and individuals in Australia and elsewhere since.

Nina Gualinga is an Indigenous activist leader of the Kichwa community of Sarayaku in the Ecuadorian Amazon. She has fought for climate justice and Indigenous rights since she was eight years old.

Jacob V Joyce and Rudy Loewe are London-based visual artists working with drawing, painting, printmaking and self-publication. Their art investigates climate change, black histories, gender and sexuality.

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Wretched of the Earth is a grassroots collective for Indigenous, black, brown and diaspora groups and individuals. They demand climate justice and act in solidarity with communities, both here in the UK and in the Global South.

<https://medium.com/@wretchedotearth>

Power Pack: Climate Emergency has been created by Serpentine Artists-in-Residence Jacob V Joyce and Rudy Loewe. They invite you to use drawing as a tool to learn about climate activism around the world and to consider ways to make changes in your own environment.

This pack was created with young people aged 7 to 14 in mind, but it's open to everyone.

Climate Emergency is commissioned by Serpentine Education as part of Back to Earth, the Serpentine's multi-year programme that invites artists and practitioners to respond to the climate emergency.

Power Pack is an artist commission series developed with and for children and young people by Serpentine Education. It centres issues facing children and young people, bringing them into conversation with the wider Serpentine programme.

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