

1 Match the words in the box with their definitions.

pollution temperatures waste
resources atmosphere starvation

- 1 Industries throw this away. *waste*
- 2 People suffer from this when there isn't enough food.
- 3 These are useful things which exist in nature.
- 4 This makes our air and water dirty.
- 5 This is all around us.
- 6 These are going up.

2 Complete the sentences with one word.

- 1 Temperatures are going *up* and causing the polar ice caps melt.
- 2 Many medicinal plants will die if we don't save the rainforests.
- 3 What will we do when we've used all our oil supplies?
- 4 The problem with nuclear power is where to get rid the waste.
- 5 Industries have been fouling our rivers and lakes for too long.
- 6 Public opinion can bring change in government policy.

3 Read the text and replace the underlined words with a phrasal verb.

Maybe we should be more optimistic about the future. A lot has already been achieved: we've changed our life style so there is less rubbish to ¹dispose of, industries are no longer ²polluting the environment, and natural habitats are being protected to prevent animals from ³becoming extinct. So maybe we will also be able to stop temperatures ⁴increasing and find alternative energy before the oil ⁵completely finishes. Maybe we will be able to save our planet after all.

- 1 *get rid of*
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4 Put the words from the box into the correct column.

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southern ~~these~~ thought
weather without worth

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