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The earth is important to me because I live on the earth. Things I like about the earth are the wildlife and the rivers and lakes. Another thing is that Vermont is changing. I think that it affects the wildlife because people keep putting in big buildings that pollutes the air. I enjoy Vermont's environment because it has a lot of animals and I like fishing, hiking, and biking. What I think is important about the environment is that people keep cutting down trees, and then birds and other things won't be able to live.

My concerns about Vermont in the future is that there won't be as much wildlife. What I think we should do to protect the environment is that we should stop using plastic water bottles and other plastic products. Another thing is that we should start walking to wherever we need to go or ride a bike or something like that. Also, I think we should stop making bigger buildings because the buildings have smoke that pollutes the air.

One time I was fishing and I found a huge birdsnest of fishing line on the ground. I have found a lot of these but what I do is I pick them up and put them in our trunk. Usually when i'm on a hike we usually find trash and we pick it up and throw it away. Whenever we see trash we usually pick it up. Unless it's like a diaper or something gross.

What I think we should do to stop pollution. I think we should all buy glass plates and other things, and also buy metal utensils. Another thing is that we should stop throwing garbage on the ground. Another reason we should get reusable things is because all that garbage will eventually end up in the ocean. Also global warming, for example in Australia is getting so hot that there has been a whole bunch of wildfires. Also in Vermont it was snowing one day then it was like 60degrees that's another example of global warming. Another thing is that the weather is so hot in some places that animals are dying.