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Earth Day

Vermont is a different type of landscape. Vermont is very green with a bunch of leaves and animals and lakes. Vermont's air quality is very nice. I have been to Boston where the air is not that clean and smells very bitter. That's why I am thankful for how healthy the air quality is and the environment in general. So if everyone contributed a bit to picking up trash on Earth Day, Vermont will stay very healthy and clean.

Vermont in the summer is very nice because it is not too hot, or too cold so you can go swimming in rivers and go outside. The mountains are also nice because you can mountain bike in the summer and do all sorts of things like hiking and anything you want if they allow it. So if you are ever there, there is a lot of litter that if you pick up and throw it away. it will eventually make a big difference to the environment. If people see that you are throwing stuff away, other people will follow. If you pick up trash not just in the mountains but in the rivers and everywhere else you are it will not turn into Mississippi.

Vermont in the winter is another story. The roads are very bad but the environment is very beautiful with a lot of snow. Vermont is known for skiing and snowboarding, The mountains are very good with a lot of trails and different places to go with different features. If you do not pick up trash in the winter it will be frozen to the ground so if you throw something in the middle of a ski trail and it freezes there will be a trash can in the middle of a ski trail. That would ruin that trail if people keep throwing trash on the trails. That's why you should not pass a piece of trash thinking that someone else will pick it up. You are that someone in some people's mind.

If you stop to pick up one piece of trash every day and 100 other people do it you will pick up 83,000 tons* of trash in one year. So if you keep on doing that you will make a difference in your community's environment, But if you don't pick up any trash you will leave behind 36,500 pieces of trash that could pollute the whole earth in 6,800 years. That concludes it but before you go... Will you pick up trash?

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*According to google the 8.3 billion pieces of trash divided by 100 is 83,000 tons.