

Earth Day!

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Flowing water, a cool breeze, and fresh air. All of these wonderful things can be found in many places, but in my opinion, Vermont is where it all is. Vermont is also well known as the Green Mountain State. But when we throw out trash, don't recycle, and do other things similar to this, then the earth as we know it, along with Vermont will be in danger! Animals will be endangered or even go extinct! Although this sounds kind of exaggerated, it could really happen if we humans don't change our ways and make a difference. Let's take a look at the dangerous threats to the world and how we can fix these problems.

To start things off, let's talk about all the trash problems. It's really difficult to get rid of trash, and it's probably not going to go away for a really long time. When people throw things away, it gets sent to this place where it piles up. This pile is very large at the moment. To try and prevent the pile from increasing, people could try to reuse some of their old and unwanted items that normally gets thrown away. Instead of throwing away old food, or plastic water bottles, try composting or recycling! When you compost, it gets decomposed into dust which can then be put outside. This will help prevent harm to nature. Recycling takes paper and plastic and turns it into different things, like toys. If people threw the plastic items away, then it would add to the huge pile of trash that already has a huge and horrible impact on society.

Next, let's talk about water. Everyone needs water to live and I'm sure you've heard that there's a lot of trash in the saltwater and freshwater. We need freshwater a lot because that's what we drink! If the freshwater got polluted, then we wouldn't be able to drink it. Humans wouldn't be able to drink salt water because it would make us dehydrated. There is not very much freshwater in the world, so we need to try our hardest to keep the freshwater clean and drinkable. To help, try picking trash out of the streams, brooks, and rivers. Turn the water off when you brush your teeth. This will help prevent the freshwater from going out or getting polluted.

Finally, let's have a look at animals and trees. There are many animals in the world, and we need to do our best to protect them. When we cut down trees to make houses, and other wooden crafts, this destroys the animals' habitats. When people litter, a creature could come and find that piece of trash and eat it. If they ate it, they could get sick or even die! That is why people should never litter, but instead, wait until you get home and put your trash in the recycling, or if it's food, compost it! This will help keep the animals from eating the wrong things and getting sick. Trees produce oxygen, which lets us breathe. The more trees that get cut down, the less oxygen and less homes for

animals. It's really hard to not cut down trees because those trees make our homes! I don't know how to solve this problem yet but in the future, there might be a way to save the animals' homes and save the trees!

To sum it all up, there are many wonderful things in Vermont. But it could be in great danger along with the whole world if we don't make a difference and change our ways! We can save the earth together!