

# What are environmental issues?



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**Environmental issues are problems created by **human activities**. They cause harm to the **environment**.**



# Let's learn new words!



**air  
pollution**



**land  
pollution**



**water  
pollution**

# Air Pollution

This happens when the **air becomes dirty** because of gases, dust, or smoke. These things are harmful to humans, animals, and plants.



**Human activities that cause air pollution include:**

1. Smoke from factories
2. Smoke from cars
3. Household and farming chemicals



# Water Pollution

This happens when **bodies of water** (such as rivers or lakes) **become poisoned** by human activities.



**Human activities that cause water pollution include:**

1. Dumping garbage into the water
2. Sewage and waste water
3. Factory waste

# Land Pollution

Land pollution is when the **earth's land surfaces are destroyed**. It is caused by human activities, especially when land is not used properly.



**Human activities that cause land pollution include:**

1. Garbage landfills
2. Deforestation
3. Toxic waste



**What can we do  
about these issues?**

**Can you  
think of  
other ways  
to help?**



- 1. Walk or use bicycles**
- 2. Protect and plant trees**
- 3. Recycle, and re-use items to reduce trash**



# Knowledge Check!

**1. What are the three types of environmental issues?**

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**2. Give one cause of air pollution.**

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**3. Give one cause of water pollution.**

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**4. Give one cause of land pollution.**

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**5. Who creates environmental issues?**

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# Answer Key

**1. What are the 3 types of environmental issues?**

- Air pollution
- Water pollution
- Land Pollution

**2. Give one cause of air pollution.**

- Any of these: smoke from factories, smoke from cars, household and farming chemicals

**3. Give one cause of water pollution.**

- Any of these: dumping garbage into the water, sewage and waste water, factory waste

**4. Give one cause of land pollution.**

- Any of these: garbage landfills, deforestation, toxic waste

**5. Who creates environmental issues?**

- Humans (and human activities)