

What Is Climate Change?

Climate change is a shift in the normal weather and temperature in an area over time. This is usually caused by things people do. These actions make the Earth warmer. For example, driving a car creates air pollution. Too much air pollution speeds up climate change.

Climate change is important to know about because it affects the Earth in many ways. The warmer temperatures can melt glaciers. Glaciers are enormous chunks of ice that are found in cold places like the Arctic and Antarctica. This affects polar bears, penguins, and other animals that live in these areas and walk on glaciers to move from place to place.

Climate change also causes droughts in some areas. Droughts happen when there isn't enough water in a place and it doesn't rain for a long time. This can make it hard for people, plants, and animals to live in those areas.

The ways climate change affects the Earth can sometimes be sad or scary. But there are small things you can do to slow down climate change. With help from an adult, go online to find ways you can help.