



USEFUL PHRASES

Environmental issues

pollution, to pollute, pollutants / climate change / climate crisis / (anthropogenic) global warming / carbon emissions / a carbon tax / cap-and-trade (system for letting industries buy and sell the right to emit carbon) / nuclear power / species extinction / (an) endangered species / sea levels / acid rain / toxic waste / microplastics / reduce, reuse, recycle / deforestation / school strikes for the climate, Fridays for Future (F4Future) / a climate sceptic / to adapt / pesticides / agricultural run-off (chemicals from farms draining into rivers) / carbon footprint

Social issues and controversies

values / nationalism / mass migration / immigration / a refugee / an economic migrant / open borders / closed borders / controlled immigration / discrimination / positive discrimination / racism / race relations / sexism / gender bias / equal pay for equal work / transgender / queer / to self-identify (as...) / LGBT+ (*note: the + represents other identities such as intersex, asexual*) / political correctness / equal rights for all / pro-choice / pro-life / right to life / right to die / euthanasia / labelling / mental health / mental illness / #metoo / #blacklivesmatter / to protest / to demonstrate

Global economy

globalisation / free trade / Fair Trade / protectionism / tariffs / a trade war / outsourcing / offshoring / neo-liberalism / capitalism / sweatshop labour / the local economy / buy local, think global / a tax haven (low-tax country) / freedom of movement (of goods, labour, money and services) / the minimum wage

Political and lifestyle identities

a vegetarian / a vegan / a globe-trotter / an activist / a hipster / an anticapitalist / a digital nomad / conservative / liberal / left/right-leaning / a centrist / a globalist / a nativist (puts the interests of native-born

citizens over immigrants) / a nationalist / a libertarian

Feelings and attitudes

optimism, optimistic / pessimism, pessimistic / anxiety, anxious / confidence, confident / anger, angry / stress, stressed / resignation, resigned / determination, determined / hopefulness, hopeful / desperation, desperate / enthusiasm, enthusiastic / positivity, positive / negativity, negative

PAIR DISCUSSION

You have recently found out that your local senator/MP believes that jobs, business and industry come before environmental issues. You want to draft a letter to send to them. With a friend, discuss what you would put in the letter.

PERSONAL QUESTIONS

- How do you feel about your future? Why?
- Are you concerned about the future of your country, your culture or the world? What issues make you feel most concerned or excited?
- Do you take part in protests or demonstrations, fundraising efforts, or other public and community events? Which ones?
- Do you think it's important for an individual to try to change the future of their country / the world? How can they do this (e.g. shopping choices, voting, striking, taking part in demonstrations, signing petitions)? Which approaches do you think are most effective?

PICTURE PROMPTS

Look at the pictures on the other side of the card. Choose one and describe it.

Now compare and contrast the two pictures. Talk about the people you see and the ways they are similar to and different from each other.