



Climate Change Climate Justice



Short Lesson Guide for Teachers

For more detail and additional activities, please refer to the full lesson plan.

LESSON OBJECTIVES

- To learn that climate change has an impact on communities around the world
- To find out about some of the ways The Salvation Army is fighting against climate change
- To consider ways of taking action to prevent climate change

Shorten the lesson:

Skip *Exploring photos* activity (slides 7-11) and/or Christian perspective (slide 13).

Extend the lesson:

Select a few activities, perhaps as a carousel, and/or learn the song 'One Planet'.

STARTER

Slide 1: What's the link?

Talk partners - spot any links.

Prompts if needed:

- What's missing?
- Why isn't a sunny beach or park included?

Share any common themes.

Slide 2: Lesson objectives

Share the lesson objectives.

MAIN LESSON

Slide 3: What is it?

- *What is climate change?*
- *What does climate change look like?*
- *What is causing climate change?*

Slide 4: UK examples

Any example of climate change in the UK and Ireland? Eg:

- More warmer days, fewer colder days (climate change)
- Spring starting earlier, more rainfall, more storms (inconclusive link)

Slide 5: Global examples

This is repeated worldwide.

Increasing temperatures = drought, wildfires, storms, tornados and melting icebergs.

Increasing rainfall = flooding and causing landslides.

This is affecting the people, animals and plants living in these areas.

Slide 6: The Salvation Army

Introduce The Salvation Army - a worldwide church and charity - working with communities, bringing practical help and fighting for fairness for all.

It's about God and not themselves.

Slides 7-11: Exploring photos

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- What do you wonder? What questions do they have about the photo?

Summarise with:

- What do you think happened?
- How is this linked to climate change?
- Are these communities responsible for these events?
- Is this fair?

Slide 12: Video

The Salvation Army works towards bringing fairness to all, so it helps these communities with support during and after disasters and by sharing ways to prevent or reduce the effects of extreme weather.

Use the *Video key points* handout to clarify any questions.

- How does The Salvation Army help communities fight against the effects of climate change?
- How is The Salvation Army trying to make things fair?
- Why do you think The Salvation Army does this?
- The video highlighted the three R's (reduce, reuse and recycle) - did you spot the fourth R and what it means? (rally - speaking out)

Opportunity to amend *Exploring photos*.

CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Slide 13: Bible verse

Christians believe God created this wonderful and amazing planet and we have a special place in God's creation. They believe that God asks us to love, protect and care for the world and everything in it. Some Christians use Bible verses as part their reasons why they should fight climate change.

Talk partners:

- Which verse is the most important reason for Christians to fight climate change?

ACTIVITIES

Slides 14-21: Activities

Use the *Activities sheets*.

- Letter of hope
- Poem for fairness or the future
- Reminder notes / mini posters
- Plan to stop climate change
- Research: The Salvation Army / climate change / reduce, reuse, recycle
- Pledge card

PLENARY

Slide 22: Tell me one thing...

- about the impact of climate change on communities around the world
- about how The Salvation Army is helping to fight against climate change
- about what you are going to do to help prevent climate change
- about how you are going to tell others about what you have learned today

Slide 23: Song

'One Planet' by The Salvation Army (optional)

