

“Planet Earth Needs Our Help” - The Story so far....





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One day Annie and Tilly decide to water the flowers in their garden. It is a very hot day and they don't want the flowers to get thirsty.



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Suddenly, Annie and Tilly hear a noise in a tree nearby. Someone is crying. When they go to look, they see a fairy sitting on a branch, looking very sad. "Oh dear what's the matter?" asks Tilly. "Why are you crying?" asks Annie.



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"Planet Earth needs our help. It's getting too hot" says the fairy. "I'm getting hot too" says Annie. "Can I show you what I mean?" asks the fairy. "Yes please" says Tilly. "Then close your eyes and come with me."



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**“Earth runs on light from the Sun.
Normally it is not too hot and not too cold,
just right for plants and animals.
The Sun’s light turns to heat when it hits the land and sea.
Gases in the air help Earth to keep the heat in,
just like a thin blanket.”**



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**“Over a long time Earth gets hotter,
just like it was when Dinosaurs lived here,
many, many, many, years ago.”**



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**“Or sometimes colder,
just like it was when mammoths lived on
Earth, many, many years ago.
It is natural for climate to change slowly,
giving plants and animals time to find new homes.”**



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**“Now Earth is in trouble!” says the fairy.
“People are putting more and more gases
into the air, making the blanket thicker,
and warming Earth faster .”**



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**“These gases come from people using coal,
oil and gas, from cutting down forests,
and from too many farm animals.”**



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**“Earth is getting warmer and warmer, so
ice caps are melting – causing sea levels to rise,
wearing away coastlines faster than normal,
and making animals homeless.”**



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“A warmer Earth causes more storms and floods on land”.
“Oh, no!” says Tilly.
“Wow!” says Annie.



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“A warmer Earth also makes new deserts,
so we have less food and water,
and there are more forest fires.”



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The gases also make the sea more acid,
killing fish and other animals in the oceans.”
“That’s so sad” says Tilly.
“Can we go back to the garden now please?”
asks Annie.
“Yes of course you can, just open your eyes.”



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**Annie and Tilly open their eyes and see the flowers in the bright sunshine.
“Why isn’t someone helping Planet Earth?” asks Annie.
“Some people are, but many others find it such a big problem, it is hard to know what to do.”**



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**“Luckily, there are ways we can stop the earth warming too fast:
by using cleaner energy like sun, wind and waves,
instead of coal, oil and gas.
People who run things can help us all to
use cleaner energy, and create less gas.
Earth needs good friends.”**



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**“How can we help?” asks Tilly.
“You can help by using less energy at home.
Simple things like switching off lights.
You can also throw fewer things away.
Reduce, Recycle, Reuse.”
“I can do that” says Annie**



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**The fairy smiles and says “Thank you for listening to me,
I feel better now.
I will go with my friends to find
more people and tell them about Planet Earth.
I hope they will listen and want to help, just like you have.”**

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