

Environment, Sustainability & Nature

Let's Talk Green



Welcome & Objectives

Welcome to the Green English Series!

In this lesson, you will:

- Learn key vocabulary about the environment and sustainability
- Practise first and second conditionals and the passive voice
- Share personal ideas and opinions about nature and green habits
- Do engaging activities to build grammar and fluency



Icebreaker – Nature & You

Speaking Task:

Do you enjoy spending time in nature?

What natural places do you have near you?

What do you do to care for the environment?



Vocabulary – Environmental Issues

Explore the following vocabulary with your tutor:

Define each word and ask your tutor for support for unfamiliar words.

- climate change
- global warming
- pollution
- deforestation
- endangered species
- overfishing
- carbon footprint
- landfill

Task: Match each word to its meaning or cause.



Vocabulary – Green Actions

Explore the following vocabulary with your tutor:

Define each word and ask your tutor for support for unfamiliar words.

- recycle
- compost
- reduce waste
- reuse
- plant trees
- conserve water
- shop locally
- go plastic-free

Task: Use 4 of these in sentences about your lifestyle.



Grammar – First Conditional

Understanding the grammar rule:

First Conditional is used for real future situations.

Structure:

If + present simple, will + base verb

Example:

"If we plant more trees, the air will be cleaner."

"If people recycle, there will be less waste."



Activity – Fill in First Conditional

Complete the sentences below:

• If people stop cutting down trees, animals ______

If I bring my own bag, I _____

If we use less water, we _____



Grammar – Second Conditional

Understanding the grammar rule:

Second Conditional is used for imaginary or unlikely situations.

Structure:

If + past simple, would + base verb

Example:

"If I were president, I would ban single-use plastic."

"If everyone used bikes, cities would be cleaner."



Second Conditional Speaking

Task: Complete these ideas aloud:

- If I had a garden, I would...
- If I saw someone polluting, I would...
- If I could change one thing about the environment...

Example starter: "If I had a garden, I would grow my own food, this would help..."



Grammar – Passive Voice (Present Simple)

We use the passive when the action is more important than who does it.

Structure:

object + is/are + past participle

Example:

"Plastic is recycled in many countries."

"Forests are protected by law."



Passive Voice Activity – Change the Sentences

Change the following sentences to passive:

People plant trees every year.

• Factories release pollution.

Volunteers clean the beach.



Vocabulary – Nature & Landscape

Words to Learn:

- forest
- desert
- waterfall
- mountain
- coastline
- wildlife
- habitat
- valley

Task: Describe your favourite natural place using 3 words.

Example: "I love the mountains because of the clean air and quiet."



Reading Reaction Task

Read the following passage out loud:

The Amazon Rainforest is a huge forest in South America, known for its rich plant and animal life. It is often called the "lungs of the Earth" because it produces a lot of oxygen. Many unique species live there. The Amazon River runs through it, helping support the ecosystem. Sadly, deforestation is putting this important forest at risk.

Then ask:

- What does the Amazon Rainforest produce a lot of?
- What problems are there?
- What does the Amazon River support?

Bonus: In your opinion, how do you think people can help?

Try to answer the questions using the vocabulary on the previous slide and passive voice.



Speaking – Eco Habits

Prompt Questions:

Do you recycle or compost?

Do you try to save electricity or water?

Do you avoid plastic bags?



Finding Solutions

Can you think of solutions to the problems below? Describe how it will help and give examples for your answer.

Problem	Cause	Solution
Plastic waste	Overuse of packaging	
Deforestation	Logging & farming	
Air pollution	Cars & factories	



Speaking – Opinion Statements

Do you agree or disagree?

- Everyone should eat less meat to save the planet.
- Plastic should be banned.
- Flying is the biggest cause of pollution.

Respond with your opinion using second conditional or passive:

Example: "If we banned plastic, the oceans would be cleaner."



Grammar Challenge – Mixed Practice

Correct the errors:

• If we would recycle more, we save the Earth.

The trees are cut every day.

• If I am rich, I would build a green home.



Creative Task – Your Eco Campaign

Imagine you're creating a campaign:

- Include:
- Slogan
- Goal
- Main message
- One promise: "If you help, we will..."

Take turns with your tutor.

