Teaching Young Kids about Climate Change

Is Climate Change Good for Us? by Jackie Oblak

An activity for exploring how changes in climate could affect daily life and influence the economy of a region

Gases and Greenhouses by Gail Littlejohn and Alex Waters

Simple Activities for Exploring Key Concepts

Weathering Climate Confusion Activity by David Selby and Fumiyo Kagawa

How learning spaces can help to avoid the worst scenarios now before us and four learning activities to engage young people

The Carbon Dioxide Game by Sashi Kaufman

A fun, active outdoor game for helping students visualize how human activities enhance the natural greenhouse effect

Feeling the Heat by Susan Ferguson

A student-centered approach to reducing the urban heat island effect on campus

Acting out Energy Forms by Arianna Alexsandra Grindrod

A pantomime activity for teaching about different forms of energy

Food and Climate Change by Susan Rauchwerk

A lesson that helps grade 3-8 students appreciate the impact our food system has on climate change

Climate Change and Regional Geography by Talia Miller

Climate Change can bring an immediate and pressing relevance to geography study, coaxing new ideas out of worn textbooks

Climate Change Treasure Hunt by Chris Summerville

An engaging, awareness-raising activity that can be used on school campuses and at nature centres and other sites

Follow the Light Energy from the Sun by Katie Frey and Leah Duran

Simulating greenhouse gas emissions via kinetic learning

A New Kind of Bus Afoot by Elise Houghton

Walking school buses — reducing carbon emissions the old-fashioned way

Green Commuting Challenge by Duke Davidson

How a suburban middle school radically increased the number of students walking and reduced car traffic to the school

Investigating Public Transit by Tim Grant and Gail Littlejohn

Activities that familiarize young people with local transit services

Solar Box Cooking by Sue LeBeau

A tasty introduction to the practical use of passive solar energy

A Lean Green Solar Harvesting Machine by Mark Walker

Making solar energy teaching more fun by using invisible forces to power race cars

Carbon Cycle Game by Pamela Miller

A simulation game that encourages 11-15 year olds to learn about the systems that influence climate change

Active Students Passive Solar by Nelson Lebo

A renovated passive solar home serves as a unique backdrop for teaching elementary science and math

Getting into Hot Water by Joe Umanetz

A hands-on home and school activity that promotes energy and water conservation

Renewable Energy: K-12 Activities by Sue LeBeau

Engineering to do Nothing by Susan Lewicki

Put to work the basic astronomy knowledge of 10-14-year olds in teaching passive solar house design