

Can We Change Our Travel?

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Every single day all across the world cars, planes, boats and motorcycles etc are used so we can travel to certain places such as work, schools or homes. If you didn't know these vehicles let off toxic gases when moving. These gases are carbon dioxide which is a greenhouse gas, carbon monoxide which is a gas that is toxic to humans and finally nitrous oxides which are produced in any combustion process. In addition to these emissions of carbon dioxide and other air pollutants, the vehicle and related industries (e.g. petrol stations, car garages) consume large amounts of raw materials, and produce significant quantities of waste. Vehicle use affects our whole quality of local life.



Each year, over 1 million cars are sold which is worth around £8.4 billion. This being said, the vehicle industries are one of the biggest contributors to climate change and if you think about it worldwide so many cars are being bought and produced.

If you think about it this way, where are cars made? Answer to that is Factories which produce emissions for the cars to be made therefore are then shipped to different countries to be sold. When shipping is done on ships where sometimes cars can be dropped and fall into the ocean causing harm to ocean animals. This whole process is bad for our world's environment and climate.



How can this be stopped? To make the world's climate a little bit better, electric cars have been brought out to increase the amount of petrol and diesel that is used. Another way to help decrease the amount of cars being produced and used is by doing such simple things such as walking, cycling or even public transportation which can carry more people and not having to use as much fuel. By changing your travel it can make this world a better place and help the next generations have a nice healthy environment to live in. think about how

you want your family in the next generations to live. In a world where there is nothing but carbon emissions or a world which has a reasonable environment. You choose to help or face the consequences in years to come.