

SUBJECT CONNECTIONS

History, Geography and Social Science

Fecha guía 25/05 al 05/06

You will...

- read and identify specific information in a letter about a global issue.
- react to the letter by writing its ending.
- use what you have learned in Social Science classes to support comprehension.

What for?

- **OA 9:** To demonstrate comprehension of main ideas and specific information of a text.
- **OA 13:** To write different type of texts, making interdisciplinary connections (History, Geography and Social Science, 7th, OA23).
- **OA D:** To develop global awareness and comprehension.

Preparing to read

1. Responde las siguientes preguntas en tu cuaderno.
 - a. Why do people chop down trees?
 - b. What purposes do you think forests serve?
 - c. Think about what you have learned about deforestation in Science class. Can you mention some causes and / or effects?

Focusing on reading

1. Lee la carta de la página siguiente y luego responde estas preguntas.
 - a. Who is the writer of the letter? Who is the intended audience?
 - b. Is the problem described in the letter a global issue? Why? Why not?
 - c. Which places in Chile are being affected by this problem?
 - d. Which are the positive / negative effects of this problem in your town / city / area?

After reading

1. Cuáles de estas son consecuencias de dañar los bosques? Pon un tick () en las ideas que son ciertas.
 - a. Land surface is exposed to sunshine and rainstorms.
 - b. The loss of soil and its nutrients makes it hard for the forest to revive.
 - c. The culture and customs of indigenous tribes that live in the forests disappear.
 - d. Many animals are forced to migrate or they just die.
 - e. The dwellings and food of some animals and plants are cleared out.
2. Al final, el árbol dice, 'If this goes on...' ('Si esto continúa...') Qué crees que quiso decir? Escribe algunas ideas para terminar la carta.

To whom it may concern,

We, the forests family, represent the largest family in the world and want to complain about a critical situation that requires the full attention of international organizations.

Ten thousand years ago, we used to cover half of the Earth's land. By now, about one third of the forests' family has vanished.

Since the last decades of the past century, our tropical forests have been experiencing a worldwide 'massacre'.

Up to 16.9 million hectares of forests are logged each year by human beings. In other words, forests of an area of about half the size of big cities have vanished each day in the last decades, and it doesn't seem like this situation will stop.

As you may know, the speed for us to reproduce and grow can never catch up with the speed in which we get killed. You human beings are to blame for this outrageous crime.

If this goes on...



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