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# CLIMATE ACTION WEEK

EDUCATION FOR  
SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT  
RESOURCE

*THIS RESOURCE ACCOMPANIES  
THE BOOK 'GRETA AND THE  
GIANTS' BY ZOË TUCKER*

*responding to Global Goal 13*



# GRETA AND THE GIANTS LESSON PLAN



'Greta and the Giants' can inspire young children to engage with environmental issues and take action. Through 'Greta and the Giants', students can learn valuable lessons about courage, determination and the impact they can have on the world around them. Here's a lesson plan and accompanying activity for Climate Action Week based on the book.

**Objective:** To educate primary school children about climate change, environmental activism and the importance of collective action through the story of 'Greta and the Giants'



## Introduction (15 mins)

- Start with a discussion about Climate Change: What do students know about it? Why is it important to address Climate Change?
- Introduce the book 'Greta and the Giants' and its central themes: Environmental activism, courage and the power of young voices

# 01



## Reading and Discussion (30 mins)

- Read Greta and the Giants to your students or play them [this video](#)
- Discuss the characters, the challenges they faced and the solutions they came up with. Emphasise the importance of working together to combat environmental themes

# 02



## Group Activity Climate Action Posters (30 minutes)

- Divide your students into small groups and provide each group with A3 paper / cardboard (reuse cereal boxes etc.) and crayons / markers
  - Instruct each group to create a climate action poster inspired by the story. Encourage them to illustrate ways they can help the environment and combat climate change
- After completing the posters, have each group present their work to the class, explaining the actions they have illustrated - don't forget to send photos of the masterpieces or tag us on social media!

# 03





### **Creative Activity: Seed Planting (optional - 20 mins)**

- If possible, organise a seed planting activity as a collective action. Discuss the importance of trees and plants in combating climate change
- Ahead of this activity, encourage students to bring in a toilet roll tube (the cardboard from the middle of the toilet roll - they are biodegradable!).
- Cut four slits in the toilet roll tube and fold them in on each other to create a small pot
- Each student can plant a seed in their biodegradable pot and take it home to plant in the ground, nurturing it as a symbol of their commitment to environmental education

04

### **Reflection and Discussion (15 mins)**

- Ask students to reflect on what they have learned during the lesson and how they feel empowered to make a difference
- Discuss how small actions, when taken collectively can have a significant impact on the environment
- Encourage students to share their ideas on what they can do individually and as a class to address climate change

05

### **Homework / Extended Activity**

- Assign a simple climate action project for students to implement at home e.g. recycling chart, reducing energy usage or planting more trees or flowers in their garden

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