

**The World Would be a
better place if...**

Art topic Ideas

The world would be a better place

- If cow manure could be used as a power source
- If everyone had horns
- If everyone was a unicorn
- If fear didn't exist but people didn't do stupid things
- If everyone and everything was made out of candy
- If factories would use sustainable energy sources and not create pollution
- If cars could run on water
- If there were no poisonous plants or animals
- If people got out every day to exercise
- Everyone had enough food
- If everyone had fresh drinking water

The world would be a better place if... **Notes**

- 1. Write down ONE idea from each slide.**
- 2. Use these ideas to pick YOUR main art work idea.**
- 3. Write a paragraph about that idea.**
- 4. Pick images that go with your paragraph.**

Topic Slides	Best idea from the list
1. VOLUNTEER	
2. Reduce your impact!	
3. Make a statement with what you buy.	
4. Take pride in where you live!	
5. Donate to the right charities!	
6. Protect the environment!	
7. Be nice!	
8. Set a good example!	

YOU can make the world a better place when you **VOLUNTEER!**



What can you do?

Tutor disadvantaged kids

Work at a local **food bank**

Build houses with Habitat for Humanity

Work at an **animal shelter**

Donate good used items to charity

How does that Help?

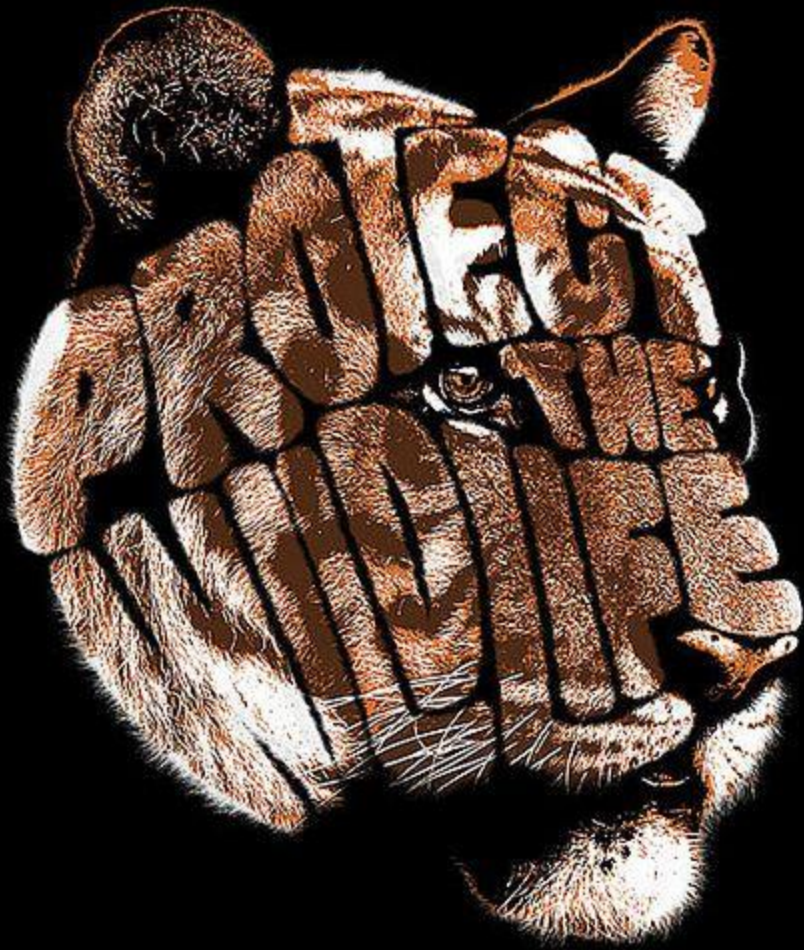
So that kids graduate from School

So that hungry/homeless people can eat

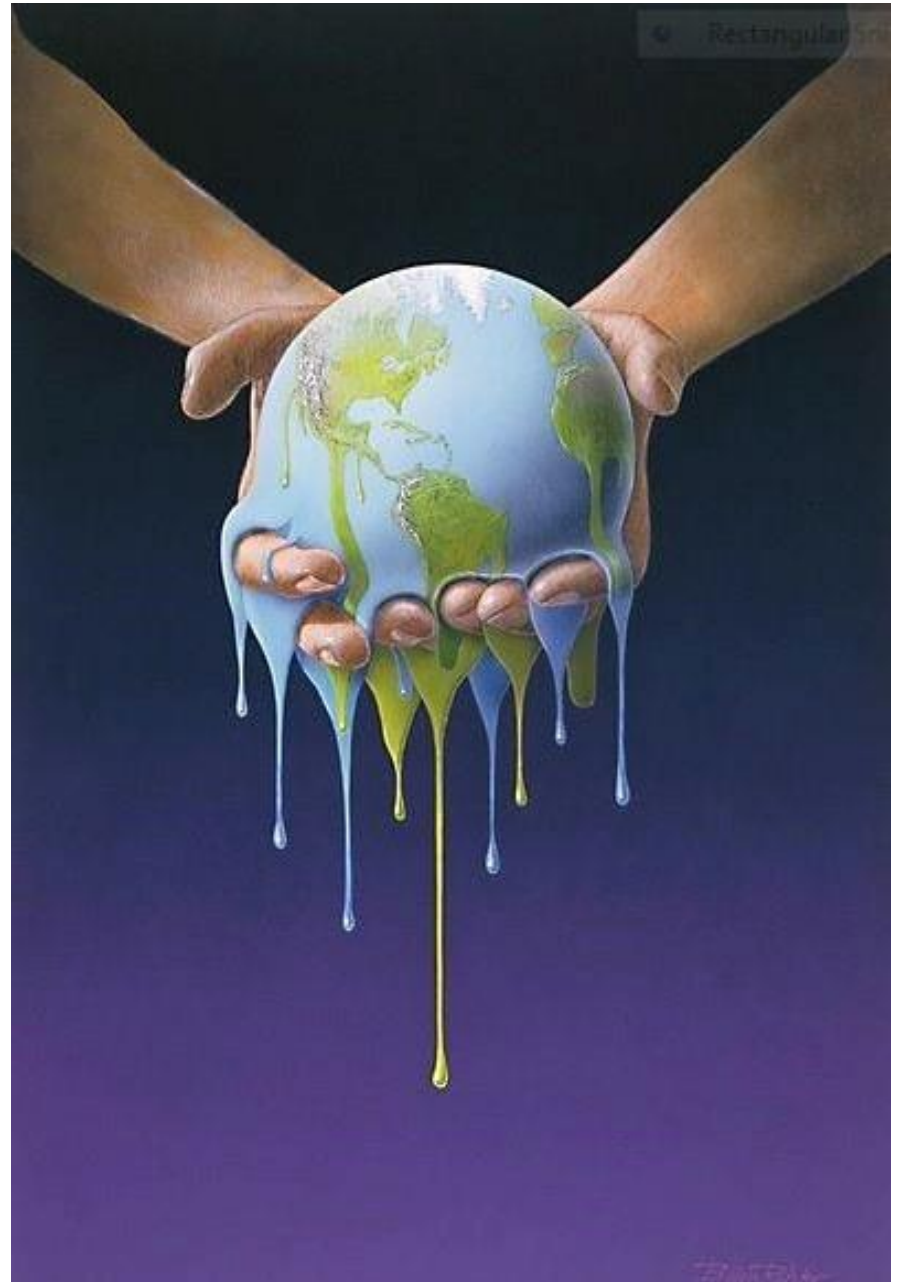
So that poor/homeless families have some place to live

So that homeless animals have a good life while looking for a forever home.

So that poor/homeless families can have affordable clothes and stuff.



for a living planet.





YOU can make the world a better place when you **Reduce your impact!**

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What can you do?

How does that Help?

Be consistent about **recycling**.

So there is less garbage in the Landfills

Conserve water

So there is more fresh drinking water

Compost Food Waste instead of putting it in garbage

So there is less garbage in the Landfills

Install **solar panels** for your home

So you use less electricity

Use public transit, **a bike**, or an electric vehicle.

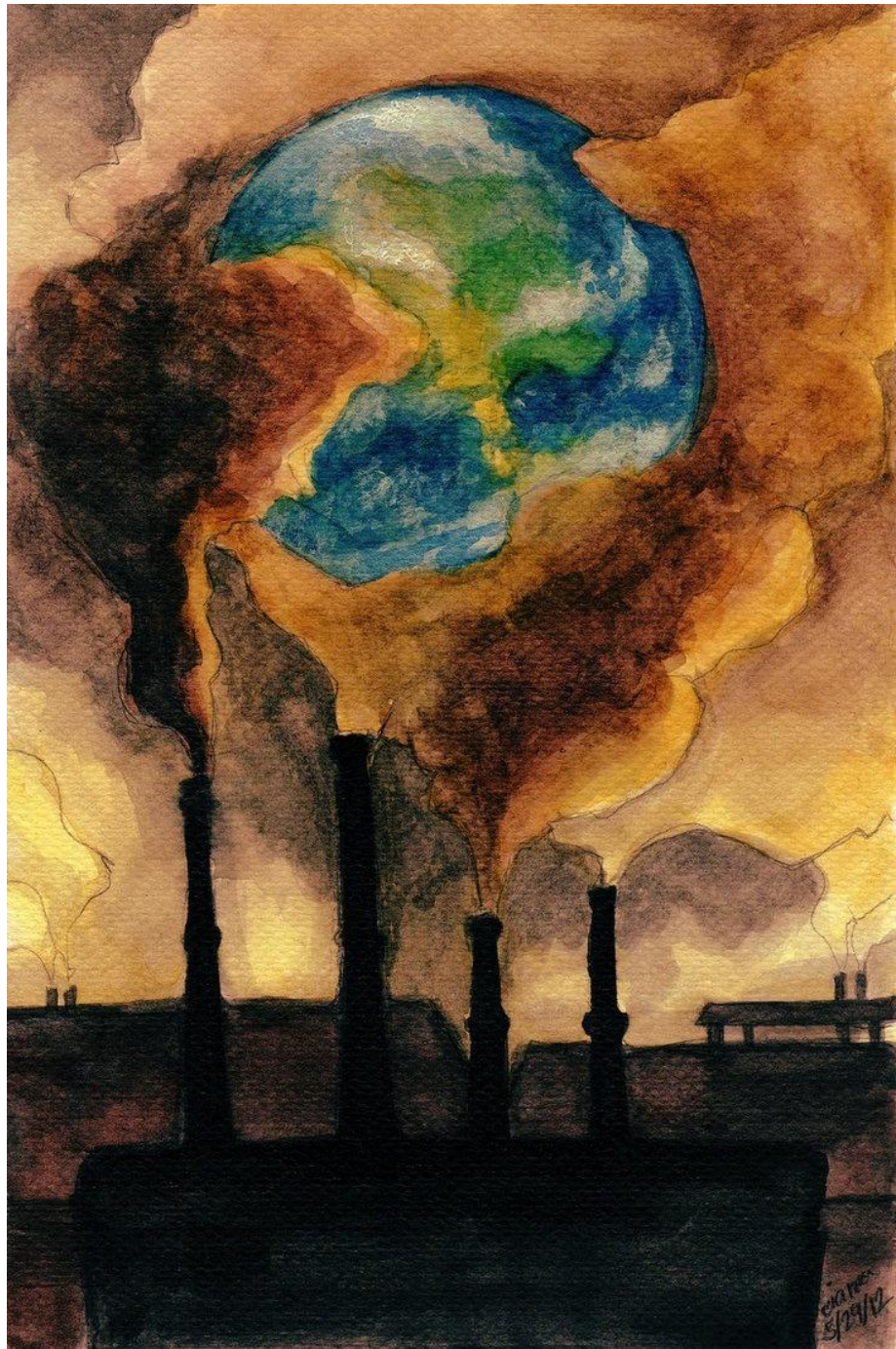
So you create less pollution with gas powered cars

Buy things with less or no packaging.

So there is less garbage in the Landfills

Grow some of your own food

So you buy less foods with packaging



Factory
pollution



Global-
warming

YOU can make the world a better place when you **Make a statement with what you buy.**

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What can you do?

How does that Help?

Buy products that **don't harm animals.**

Protects animals from death and torture.

Buy meat that is **farmed in responsible ways**

Prevents damage to the environment that are contaminated by too many cows in one place.

Buy local products.

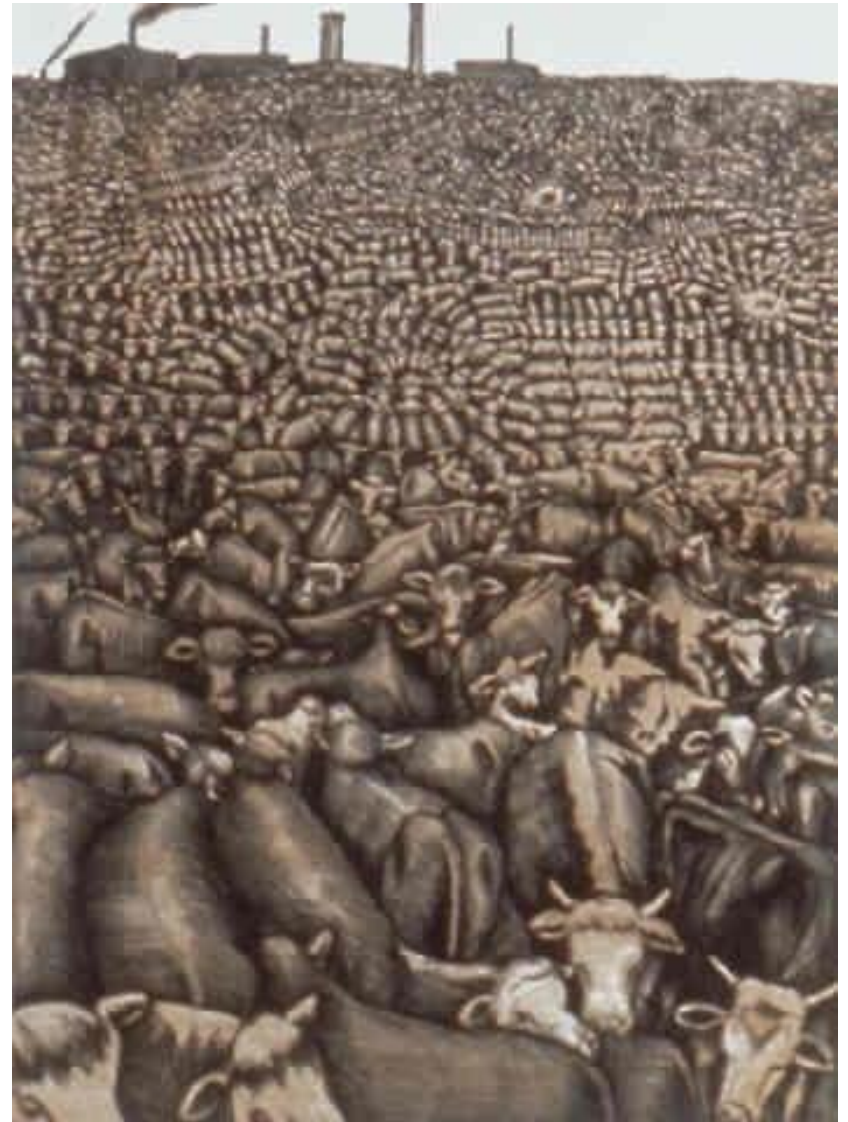
Support the people around you and your local economy.

Don't buy products with dangerous chemicals.

Many foods and make-up have chemicals that cause cancer, but are CHEAP to use. If you don't complain companies put your health at risk for making money.

Don't buy products that use cheap labor in 3 world countries.

Protects children and people from horrible working conditions.



YOU can make the world a better place when you **take pride in where you live!**

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What can you do? How does that Help?

Volunteer to **plant trees** or flowers in your local park.

Helps the environment with more trees and makes your neighborhood look good.

Never Litter!

Prevents garbage from getting into rivers where animals can be injured or kills AND makes your neighborhood look good.

Help paint over or **clean up graffiti** from homes and businesses.

Keeps crime down and makes your neighborhood look good.



YOU can make the world a better place when you **Donate to the right charities!**

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What can you do? How does that Help?

Donate for cancer causes

Helps find a cure for cancer

Donate to Heifer International

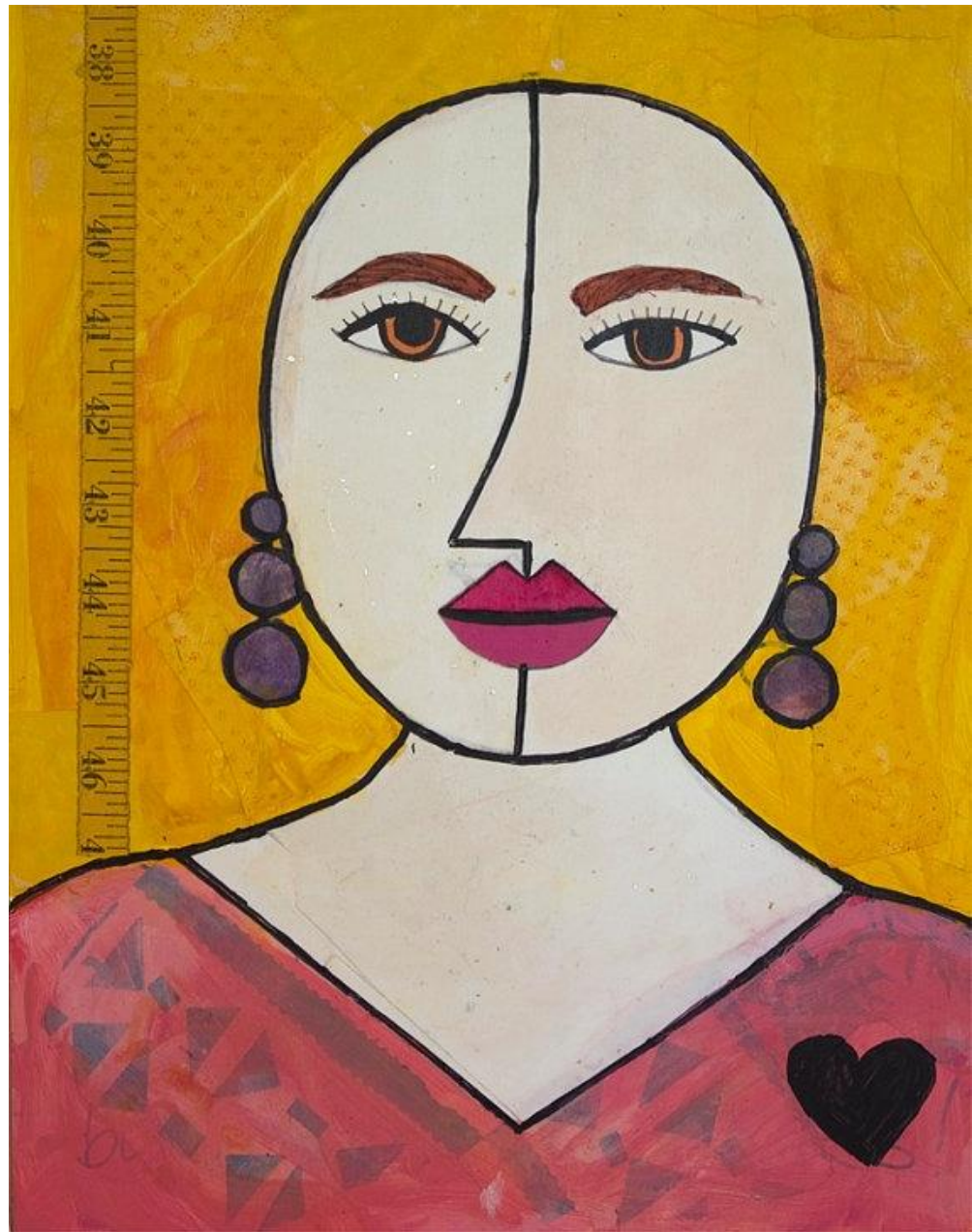
Helps get farm animals to 3 world countries to provide them sustainable food sources.

Donate to Water.org

Helps get clean water resources to 3 world countries to provide them with clean drinking water.

Donate to Doctors without Borders

Helps get medical aid to 3 world countries to prevent death and disease.



YOU can make the world a better place when you **Protect the environment!**

Producing energy is very taxing on the planet, causing pollution and the use of non-renewable resources.

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Ways to Conserve Energy

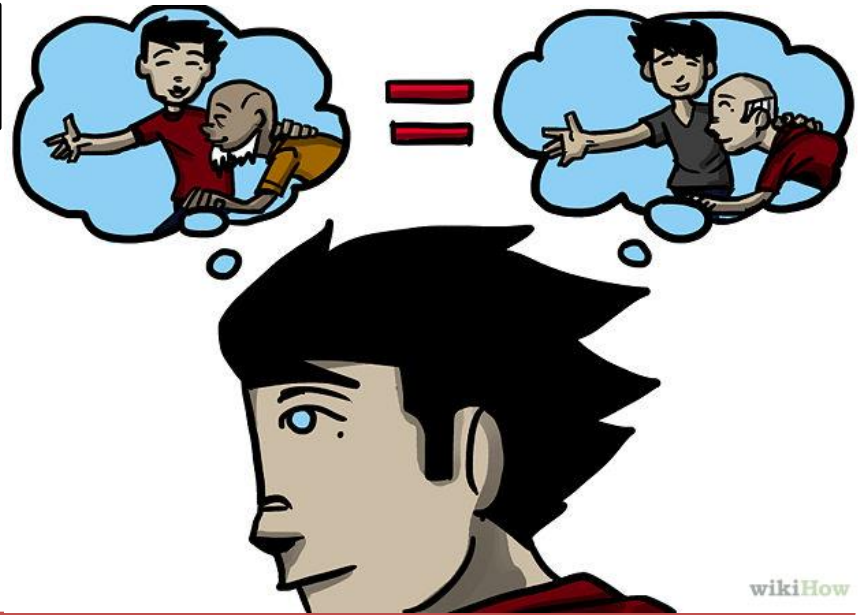
Turn off Lights, TVs, computers, electronics and appliances when not in use!

Get new Energy Efficient appliances (Stove, washer, dryer, fridge)

Unplug unused electronics. (Many still use energy when plugged in but turned off)

YOU can make the world a better place when you **Be nice!**

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What can you do? How does that Help?

End racism

People can get along better and have good opportunities.

Treat people nicely

You are an example to other and will usually have people treat you nice in return.

Have a **positive attitude**

Happy people are more successful and make the world better just by being happy.

Help those in need

Everyone needs a little help sometime. Reach out and help someone to make their world better for even just that moment.



YOU can make the world a better place when you **Set a good example!**

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What can you do? How does that Help?

Say NO! to peer pressure (drugs, smoking, parties, stealing etc.)

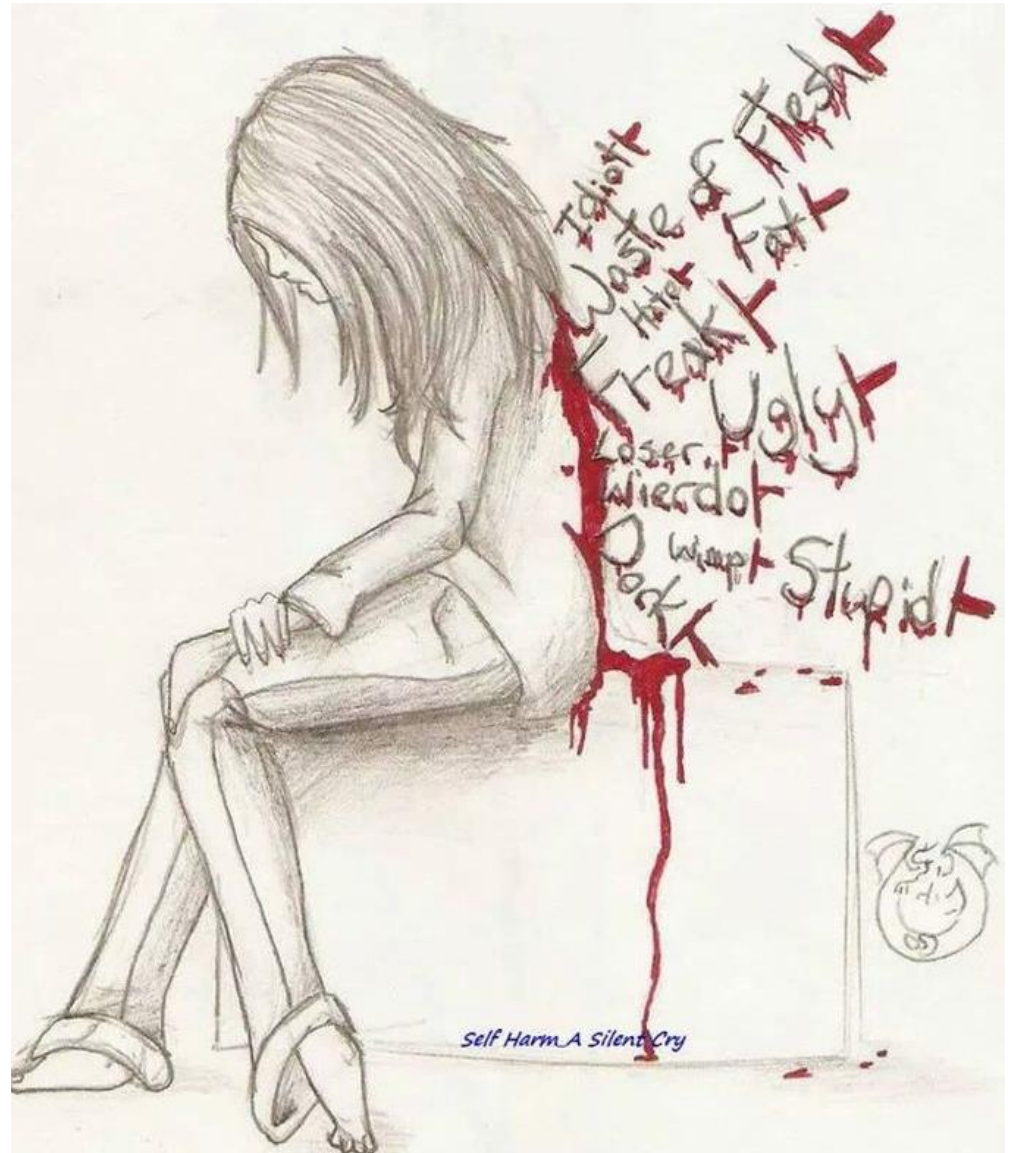
Younger kids and your friends look to each other for how to act. If you are a good role model your younger siblings and friends won't make bad choices that get them into trouble.

Don't break the rules/laws

Creates a safe and civil school and neighborhood when people live within the laws and rules.

Don't be a bully online or in the real world.

Allows everyone to feel accepted, happy and safe.





Write a paragraph about that idea

Topic Sentence (TS):
(explain what your paragraph will be about)

The world would be a better place if we all bought food from local farms and growers.

Reason #1

When you buy locally produced items you bring money into the local economy and help the environment.

Detail/explain reason #1

I love the idea of helping out someone I might know, who makes their living farming here in our town.

Detail/explain reason #1

The food is always fresher when it comes from someplace near-by so it tastes better and is healthier for you.

Transition Commentary

The other reason that buying locally is important is the environment.

Reason #2

When you buy regular foods, trucks are used to move the food long distances to our area from other countries, like Canada and Mexico.

Detail/explain reason #2

These trucks use a lot of gas to travel many miles.

Detail/explain reason #2

This gas causes pollution and the pollution causes global warming and other harm to the environment.

Concluding Sentence:
(return to your original idea)

Helping local farmers and improving the environment are reasons why I think that buying local will make the world a better place.

**HOW DO ARTISTS
COMMUNICATE THROUGH THEIR
ART?**

**HOW CAN YOU SHOW NOT TELL
YOUR IDEA?**

Now take your paragraph and break it into images.

My paragraph	Image ideas
The world would be a better place if we all bought food from local farms and growers.	A corner fruit market with people buying food
When you buy locally produced items you bring money into the local economy and help the environment.	Money
I love the idea of helping out someone I might know, who makes their living farming here in our town.	A farmer
The food is always fresher when it comes from someplace near-by so it tastes better and is healthier for you.	Someone eating a tasty looking apple
The other reason that buying locally is important is the environment.	
When you buy regular foods, trucks are used to move the food long distances to our area from other countries, like Canada and Mexico.	Big trucks giving off pollution clouds
These trucks use a lot of gas to travel many miles.	
This gas causes pollution and the pollution causes global warming and other harm to the environment.	
Helping local farmers and improving the environment are reasons why I think that buying local will make the world a better place.	