

Car Crisis

WORKSHEET A

ROBERT: Cars have now become a serious _____ problem. As a society, we in Britain _____ far too much on our cars – and the same can be said about most other rich countries. We are setting a bad example to developing countries. Just imagine if other countries like China and India, which both have populations of over a billion, end up having the same number of cars per _____ as we do! That would mean a very big increase in the world's carbon dioxide emissions, and therefore the global warming crisis would become even more serious.

GEORGE: It's wrong to say that cars make a significant _____ to global warming. Of course I'm aware that cars produce carbon dioxide emissions, but the problem has been hugely exaggerated. What people don't realize is that cars are actually getting cleaner, with the newest models producing fewer emissions than those that were _____ five or ten years ago. And anyway, not all scientists think there is a _____ between carbon dioxide emissions and global warming, so I don't believe the stuff the environmentalists are always saying on the TV and the radio. It's just scaremongering, I reckon.

JO: For me, the contribution cars make to global warming is not the only issue. I think there are loads of other ways that our _____ of life would be better if there were fewer cars on our roads. For a start, our streets would be less noisy and the air would be cleaner. But it's not just that – I also reckon people who live in cities would feel freer if they weren't always _____ by hundreds of cars. Imagine if more areas of our cities were pedestrianized: it would suddenly become much safer and more enjoyable to walk or cycle from A to B, so people would start leading _____ lifestyles.

SARAH: I don't know whether the amount of cars in the world makes a difference to global warming, but I do know that every day I need to use my car to take my children to their school, which is two miles from our house, and then _____ them up again in the afternoon. What else am I supposed to do? Make them walk? And then there's my weekly shop at the _____, which is at least ten minutes' walk away. Do you think I'm strong enough to carry all those bags on my own? I'm not a professional _____, you know!

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WORKSHEET B

A

Fill the twelve gaps in the texts on Worksheet A with the correct words from the box below. There are four words that you will not be able to use.

quality	relationship	convenient	manufactured
depend	polluters	air	healthier
surrounded	supermarket	environmental	pick
warming	contribution	person	weightlifter

B

There are ten mistakes in the text below. Find them and correct them.

CARFORCE UK

MOTORISTS OF BRITAIN, UNITE!

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We at Carforce believe that everyone in the UK - and everyone in the world - have the right to use their cars to drive where they want, when they want. We are sick and tired of environmentalist scaremongring. They have always exaggerated the connects between carbon dioxide emissions and global warming. (And even if they haven't, so what? Wouldn't it be quite nice if Britain is a little warmer, particularly in the winter?)

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