



## YOUR ACTION OPTIONS

Choose one or more to help raise awareness on Climate Change on Young and Future Generation (YoFuGe) Day 1 December 2011

### **Hello Climate Activists around the world!**

Thank you for joining Girl Guides and Girl Scouts worldwide to **raise awareness on climate change**. The WAGGGS youth delegation to the UN Climate Change Conference COP 17 has prepared a set of **suggested actions** and you can choose one or more to join this global campaign. Each suggestion also includes some ideas for **messages** that you can put on t-shirts, banners or posters to make it very clear what your action is about. Have a look and choose what you like best.

On 1 December the **UN Climate Change Conference COP 17 in Durban**, South Africa, will celebrate Young and Future Generation Day. On this day the WAGGGS youth delegation will run the action at the conference and we invite everybody around the world to join in.

Confused about the dance in action option 3? Do not worry, the youth delegates will soon post a **video** on the WAGGGS website and you will be able to see how it all works.

Can't do it on **1 December**? Well, about a week before or afterwards is just as fine.

**Please please please send us a photo or video of your action.** Email the photo or a link where we can download the video to [comms@wagggsworld.org](mailto:comms@wagggsworld.org)

### **ACTION OPTION 1 - Freeze!**

This action aims to get people to stop and pay attention to the problems caused by climate change.

This works best in a busy place. Your group mixes with the crowd, for example in a shopping centre or in a school courtyard. On a secret signal that you have agreed everybody 'freezes'. This means you stop and stand still in whatever position you were in. For instance, some people pretending to be walking and some pretending to be running all in a freeze position. Stay 'frozen' for 350 seconds, and make sure you have banners or posters or t-shirts that carry a very clear message what is going on here. 350 seconds is the suggested time because 350 parts per million is what many scientists, climate experts, and progressive national governments are now saying is the safe upper limit for CO<sub>2</sub> in our atmosphere. Find out more at [www.350.org](http://www.350.org)

#### Suggested messages

Climate Change - we are part of the solution

Climate Change - stop waiting start acting

Climate Change will not stop without action

Freeze the CO<sub>2</sub> limits at 350ppm

Climate Change doesn't stop

Stop - we need to talk about Climate Change

Stop - there is a problem with our climate

Freeze if you care about the globe

We can save our planet

Any other ideas? Go ahead!

## **ACTION OPTION 2 -Wake up call**

This action aims to call everyone to wake up and take action to tackle climate change.

This action works better in the morning, for example on the bus to school, but will make a great impact at any time of the day. The group sets their mobile phone alarms or alarm clocks to go off all at the same time. Five minutes or so before the alarm goes off everybody is sitting around pretending to sleep. When the phones go off everybody wakes up with a big dramatized stretch and starts looking around as if they just realized what is happening and start saying to each other something along the lines of 'we can't ignore the alarm' or 'we need to wake up and take action before it will be too late'. To make a strong impact, it would be good if every phone has the same alarm tone. If you don't have mobile phones, just bring alarm clocks instead. When you 'wake up' pull out your banners or posters or t-shirts that carry a very clear message what is going on here.

### Suggested messages:

It's time to a wake up and take action against climate change

Climate Change - we are part of the solution

Climate Change - stop waiting start acting

Ring ring - global warming here

Wake up to climate change

We can save our planet

Maybe you can also use a picture of a ringing alarm clock with your message?

Any other ideas? Go ahead!

## **ACTION OPTION 3 - Climate Cha Cha Slide**

The aim of this activity is to pass on the message with a really cool dance and song.

Many people know the cha cha slide - here is a link with the [video](#) Some WAGGGS youth delegates have written special lyrics to the dance and soon we will post a video with them showing you all the moves on the WAGGGS website. Make sure you have t-shirts, posters or banners with very clear messages with you so people understand better what this is all about.

**Clap clap clap clap your hands**

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**Take a stand now y'all**

**1 degree at a time**

**Right foot let's act**

**Left foot let's act**

**Climate change reverse**

**Turn it down**

**Switch off those lights**

**Time to go green**

**Right foot let's act**

**Left foot let's act**

**Hands on your knees**

**Save those trees**

**FREEZE**

**Everybody make a change**

### Suggested messages:

Climate action is cool

We are taking action against climate change

Girls can save the planet

We can save our planet

Climate Change - be part of the solution

Get a move on - Climate Change doesn't stop

Join our Climate Action

Any other ideas? Go ahead!