

Fossil Fuels or No Fossil Fuels?

There are many arguments for and against the use of fossil fuels. Unfortunately, the argument generally seems to be between economics and the environment, although we are beginning to become aware that solutions can have both environmental and financial benefits.

Consider these questions

- What are fossil fuels?
- Why are some people concerned about using them for energy?
- What are the connections between fossil fuels and greenhouse emissions?
- What are the benefits of using fossil fuels?
- What are the alternatives to the use of fossil fuels?

You may like to draw up a 'For and Against' table to help with the development of your argument.

Write a letter to a newspaper that argues either FOR or AGAINST the use of fossil fuels for energy.

Extension/Alternatives

Give an oral presentation to the group, outlining the reasons for your argument.

Curriculum Links:

English: Speaking and Listening, Reading, Writing

Society and Environment: Investigation, Communication & Participation, Resources