

Partnering for the planet

Primary resources – English

1. Write a persuasive letter or speech

Write a persuasive **letter** or **speech** to The Rt Hon Alok Sharma MP, President for COP26, the 26th United Nations Climate Change Conference.

Tell him what you want adults to do at COP26 based on what you have been studying.

For analysing the effective features of a speech, you can study the video from Dr Ella Gilbert and/or take inspiration from [Greta Thunberg's speech to COP26](#) (or [alternative link here](#) if YouTube is blocked by your school's firewall).

Features might include: passion/emotion in expression and language, pausing for effect, repeated words, clear argument, use of data, challenging the audience to act.

2. Try some other styles of writing to get your message across

Alternatively, if it fits better with your term's focus, write poems/ haikus / newspaper articles about climate change.

3. Have a debate

Have a **climate change debate** (a mock COP26 where children can represent different countries vying for their agendas to be met).

Resources to support this can be found from one of our partners www.metlink.org. Preparation through prior research would be helpful for a quality debate.

Each child could explore the Climate Stripes for each child's allocated country from here: showyourstripes.info and use the internet to research the impact that climate change is having, e.g. what would a 1m rise in sea levels do to that country?

