

Performance

Characters:

Mother Nature: Jazmine

Earth: Elizabeth

Scientist: Darwin

Building: Lenny

Business Man: Christopher

Act 1:

- Earth and Mother Nature are walking normally, happily, in peace
 - Earth: *coughing and feeling ill*
 - Mother Nature: “Earth, are you okay? You seem very ill these past few years.”
 - Earth: *cough* *cough* “Yea I’ve been feeling very polluted for the last decade.”
 - Mother Nature: “Don’t worry, Earth, I here to help you and protect you.”
 - Earth: “I feel very ill, broken, and awful.”
 - Mother Nature: “Huh, what do you mean?”
 - Earth: “I feel like my ecosystem is rioting. I feel like i'm wasting away ”
 - Mother Nature: Oh how so ,why do you say that”
 - Earth: *cough* *cough* Well, im not sure if you know this gas call CO2
 - Mother Nature: Yes, isn’t it that magical element that helps your people in their everyday life?
 - Earth: Yes, CO2 is important for me, because helps me hold on to some of the energy I get from the Sun, thanks to it the energy doesn't leak back out into space. Otherwise me and my inhabitants would freeze.
 - Mother Nature: Well then I don't really see the problem with that gas
 - Earth: CO2 is so good at holding in heat from the Sun, that even a small increase in CO2 in my atmosphere can cause me to get even warmer. And over time there has been an increase in CO2, which is making me very ill.
 - Mother Nature: What is the reason for the increase in CO2 ?
 - Earth: it’s because people are burning more and more fossil fuels. And one of the leading causes of carbon pollution is buildings
 - Mother Nature: you are right, people burn fossil fuels for heat and water.
 - Earth: *cough* *cough* Yes they also produce CO2 when they use electricity such as turning on the lights, plugging in their chargers to charge their phones.

Act 2:

- Business Man and Building enter
 - Business Man: “Hey, you, Earth come here”
 - Earth: (points at self) “ who me”?
 - Business Man: “Who else, yes you”
 - Mother Nature: *stands in front of Business Man and Building* “What do you want, with Earth?”
 - Business Man: “I hear you talking nonsense”
 - Mother Nature: “What do you mean nonsense?”
 - Business Man: “I mean that you are saying that the Earth is ‘sick’ and ‘ill’, when I can see the Earth is doing better than every.”
 - Mother Nature: “Well, yeah, the Earth has been taken a lot of damage over the years and now it’s almost at its limit.
 - Business Man: “Whatever. Hey Building, where do you want to be placed.”
 - Building: “Hmm, maybe...there.”
 - Business Man: “Perfect, right where I can make a lot of money. Let's start building.”
 - Mother Nature: “Noo!”
 - Earth: “Help me!”
- Business Man and Building throw balls at the Earth, while Mother Nature tries to stop.

Act 3:

- The scientist comes in
 - Scientist: “Hey, what’s going on?!”
 - Business Man: “Mind your own business.”
 - Scientist: “What are you doing to the poor Earth?”
 - Earth: *cough* *cough*
 - Business Man: “Nothing, we just need it to create my new building right here.”
hugs Building
 - Mother Nature: “More buildings?! But why?! Can’t you see that the Earth is clearly damage and not feeling well.”
 - Earth: *cough* *cough*
 - Business Man: “What are you talking about? The Earth isn’t sick at all. It looks fine to me. What do you think, I’m my new Building?”
 - Building: “I think I can work with this” *judges Earth*
- Scientist tries to convince Business Man, with facts, but then Business Man and Building would say, “False/Fake news”.

- Scientist: “*Actually*, *pushes glasses upward*, the Earth is in grave danger now, more than ever. In fact, according to various studies, it has been said that the Earth has a maximum of 10-12 years left before we combust.”
- Mother Nature: “And sooner or later, everything on Earth is going to be polluted. Everything from the land, sky, and water. ”
- Earth: “And my waters are getting worse because of people like you. Every since the Industrial Revolution, my waters have gotten 30% more acidic. You dump out all of your oil, plastic, waste, even your toilet business inside my waters.”
- Mother Nature: “It’s people like you that is making more pollution in Earth”
- Business Man: “People like me?! What are you talking about? You need people like me to create a future. From 2011 to 2013, wind generation was increased by 40%. You wouldn't have that if it wasn't for me.”
- Building: “Yeah, and in case you don't know Mr. Know-it-all, about 40% of the country's energy is being used for lighting, cooling, and heating, for when you are at school, work, or even at home watching Netflix.”
- Business Man: “So yeah, I don't even damage the Earth, I help it, by recycling and doing all that green stuff.”
- Scientist: “But that doesn't matter, because around to a study various studies, it has been proved that rich people are likely to produce more carbon, even when they consider themselves as green”
- Business Man: *Starts looking worry*
- Building: “What do you know, it all fake anyways. More buildings can bring more jobs, and money to the country, and to the people”
- Earth: “But as what cost! I am getting worse by the day, and nothing is changing, by people like you. Your money won't save you for the rest of your life.”

Final Act:

- Business Man and Building start to understand their negative impact
 - Business Man: “Maybe you're right. I shouldn't make this building. I should reduce my way of producing carbon in my life, and in the buildings.”
 - Mother Nature: “Thank you so much, I'm sure we can still change our way of life and be able to reduce carbon footprint.”
 - Earth: “And you can reduce *your* carbon footprint, if you do these simple steps.”
starts handing out brochure
- Earth, Mother Nature, Scientist, and Business Man walk away happily, leaving the Building alone while also helping Earth in the future.
 - Business Man: “Don't worry, Earth. I'll use my power and money to help make more eco-friendly solutions and help create more ways to reduce pollution.”

- Earth: “Why thank you, Business Man, but you’re not the only one that can help, *YOU* can help too.” *points towards audience*
- *everyone hands out the brochure*

Research:

- <https://www.noaa.gov/education/resource-collections/ocean-coasts-education-resources/ocean-acidification>
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