

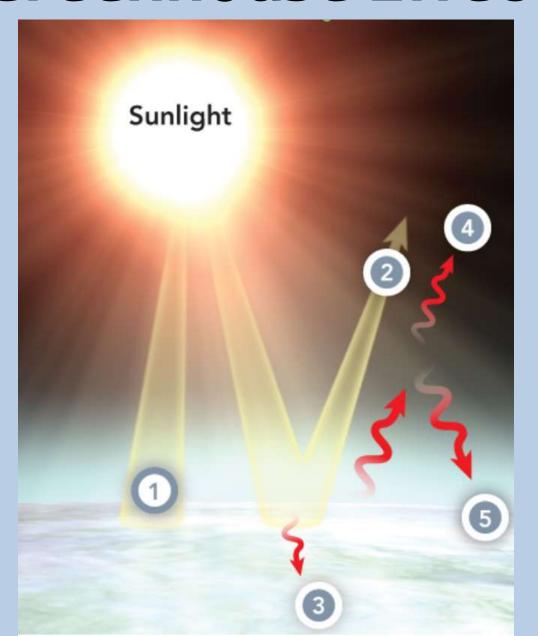
- 2. Explain the greenhouse effect.
- 3. How are humans contributing to the greenhouse effect?
- 4. What human impacts are caused by greenhouse gases?

(use the human impact table we filled out on Friday)

5. Give examples of ecosystem services.



#### **Greenhouse Effect**



### **Ecosystem Services**

#### Services Provided and Examples

#### **Purifying water**

Wetlands and intact forests along rivers and around reservoirs filter and clean groundwater. Preserving buffer zones that perform these natural processes is significantly cheaper than building water-purification plants.

#### Buffering effects of weather

Mangrove forests protect tropical shorelines from erosion by storm waves and runoff. Dune grasses and salt marsh grasses do the same in temperate regions.

#### Pollinating

Bees, flies, and butterflies pollinate crop plants, including fruit trees and vegetables. Beetles, bats, and hummingbirds pollinate many other important plants.

#### Food production

Highly productive ocean areas provide large fishes, such as tuna, with food and space to thrive. Many wild plants may also produce food for humans.

#### **Nutrient cycling**

Healthy, actively growing forests remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. Bacteria and fungi also take up nitrogen and fix it into organic compounds.

#### Maintaining soil structure

Detritivores and other soil organisms aerate soil and prevent it from becoming too compacted. Bacteria and fungi in soil as well as leaf litter microbiomes produce humus.

#### Regulating pests

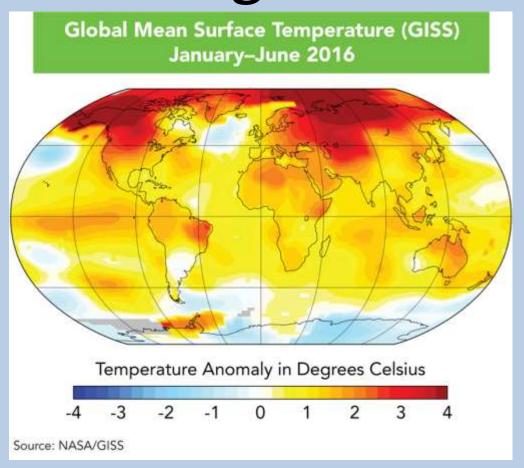
Many species of birds and bats eat insects like mosquitoes that can spread disease. These and other predators also eat crop-damaging insects.

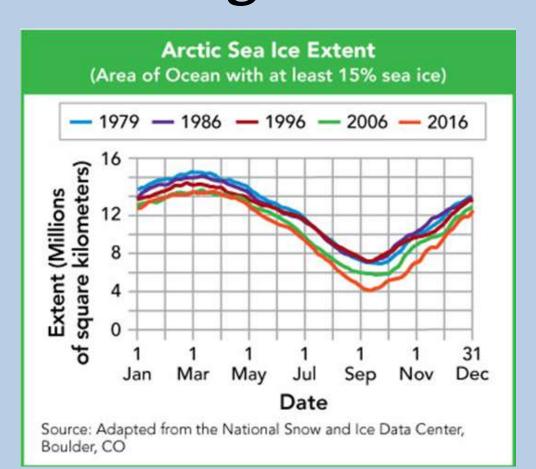
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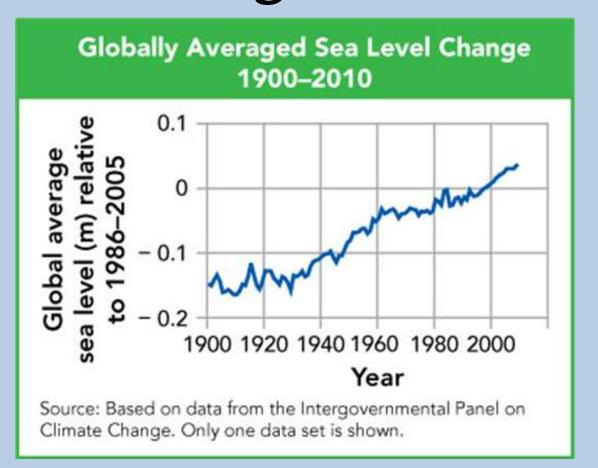
- Unit 3 Assessment
  - November 22nd
  - So far we have covered objectives 1-11
  - By the end of today we have covered everything

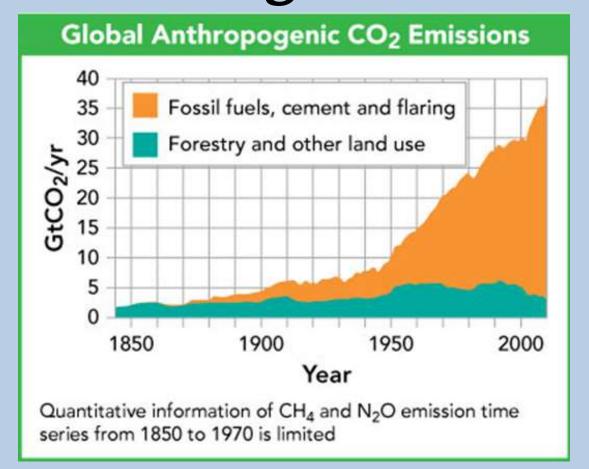
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  - Temperature
  - Clouds
  - Winds
  - Precipitation
  - The frequency and severity of extreme weather events









 How does climate change impact humans?

- Humans are impacted by:
  - Water availability
    - Droughts
    - Decreased snow pack
  - Crop cycles
    - Negative impact on crop yield
  - Loss of land
    - Sea level has increased 4 inches in 55 years

 What is the role of science in dealing with climate change?

- Science can help by:
  - Recognizing that there IS a problem
  - 2. Gather data
  - 3. Use data to change behavior

What does it mean to be renewable?

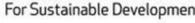
 Renewable: can be produced or replaced by a HEALTHY ecosystem

 What does it mean to be sustainable?

- Sustainable development: using resources in ways that preserve ecosystem services
  - MUST BE COST EFFECTIVE AND NON-HARMFUL TO THE NATURAL WORLD

In response to climate change data the UN has come up with Global Goals for Sustainable Development

#### THE GLOBAL GOALS For Sustainable Development







































- The goals must:
  - Provide for <u>human needs</u> AND ecosystem services









- https://youtu.be/cBxN9E5f7pc
- https://youtu.be/RpqVmvMCmpo

The Anthropocene is highly unpredictable



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- If we wish to maintain Earth then resources must be used sustainably
  - We must continue to innovate and improve new solutions
  - Development practices must be flexible, to make urban areas more resilient to environmental change, stresses, and events

As you work on your project keep in mind that you are studying the culture, resources, politics, economy, and conflicts of your country in order to identify the biggest environmental impact of the country

- You have two options for your presentation:
  - 1. Poster
  - 2. Slideshow
- It is due on JANUARY 17
- You will be presenting in small groups
- Use the rubric

- Begin the human impact project
  - YOU SHOULD AT LEAST START RESEARCHING TASK 5 BEFORE LEAVING

- Goals for your solution:
  - 1. Realistic
    - Explain the logistics of how you will accomplish the solution
  - 2. Takes care of human needs
  - 3. Protects the environment

- Pg. 27: Unit 3 Cover Sheet
- Pg. 28: 5.3 Simulation
- Pg. 29: Demography Notes
- Pg. 30: Ecological Footprint
- Pg. 31: Human Causes of Global Change