Greenhouse Gases Activity

What are they and what do they do?

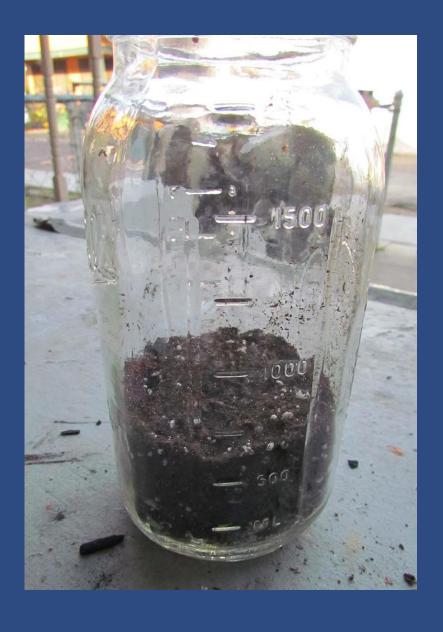






What Soil you'll need.... Water #3 **Thermometer** 2 Empty Mason Jars or plastic bottles

Instructions



- 1. Assemble your two jars/bottles with soil, water, and a thermometer in each jar.
- 2. Place a piece of saran wrap over one of the jars and secure with a rubber band (with thermometer inside)
- 3. Leave the other jar uncovered with thermometer inside.
- 4. Record the initial temperatures showing on each of the thermometers.
- 5. Place both jars on a window sill or outside to set it in sunlight.
- 6. Leave jars in sunlight, or under a strong lamp, for 15 minutes.





After 15 minutes~

- Is the temperature the same in each jar/bottle?
- Is one a higher temperature? Which one?
- Calculate the difference between the two temperatures.
- What is your <u>hypothesis</u> as to why there may be difference in the temperatures?

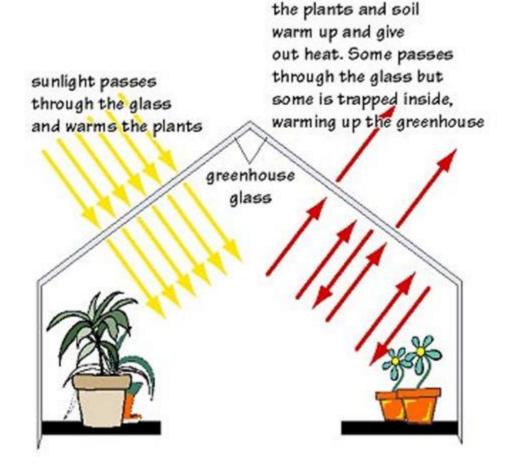
See next slides for possible explanation



GLOBAL WARMING IS ALSO CALLED:

THE GREENHOUSE EFFECT!

So what is a greenhouse? How does it work? What has this got to do with global warming then??



What if the whole earth was inside of a greenhouse?

What would happen?

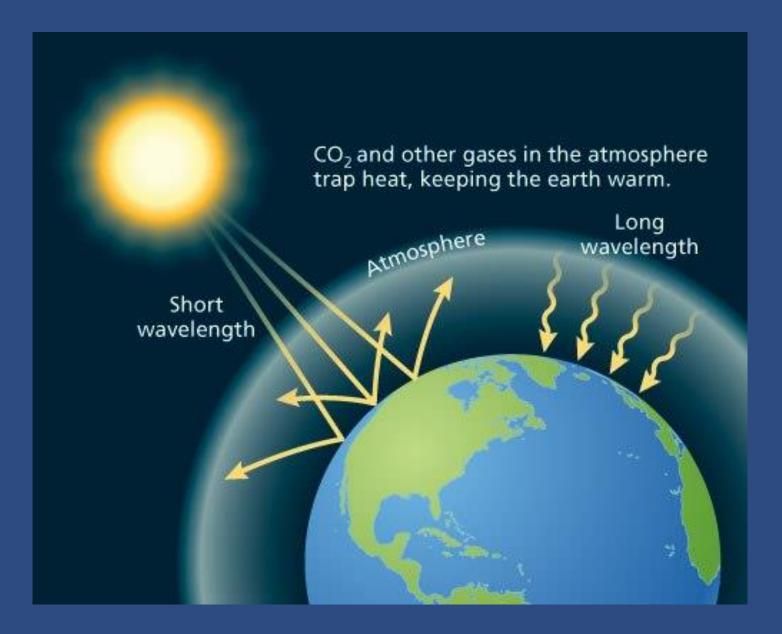
(think about the temperatures in your jars/bottles)



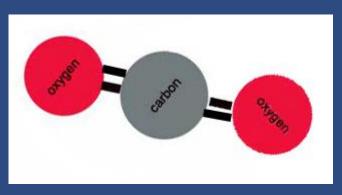
Carbon dioxide (CO2) is a colorless gas.

It occurs naturally in Earth's atmosphere as a trace gas.

CO2 and other "greenhouse gases" in the atmosphere trap heat around the earth, similar to if earth was placed inside of a greenhouse.

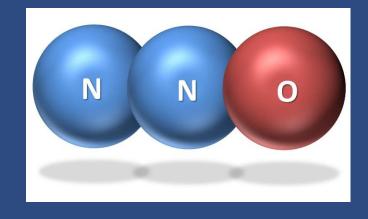


Common Greenhouse Gases and how are they created?

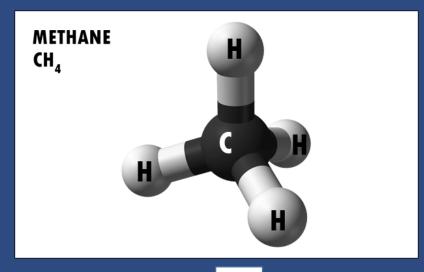




Burning of Fossil Fuels

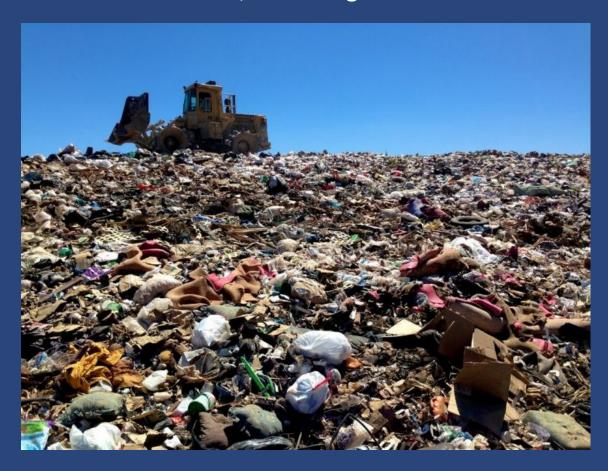




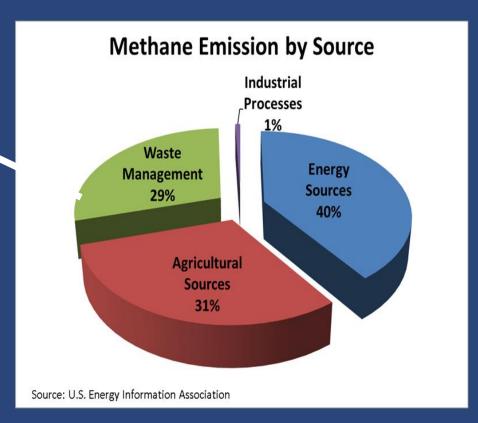


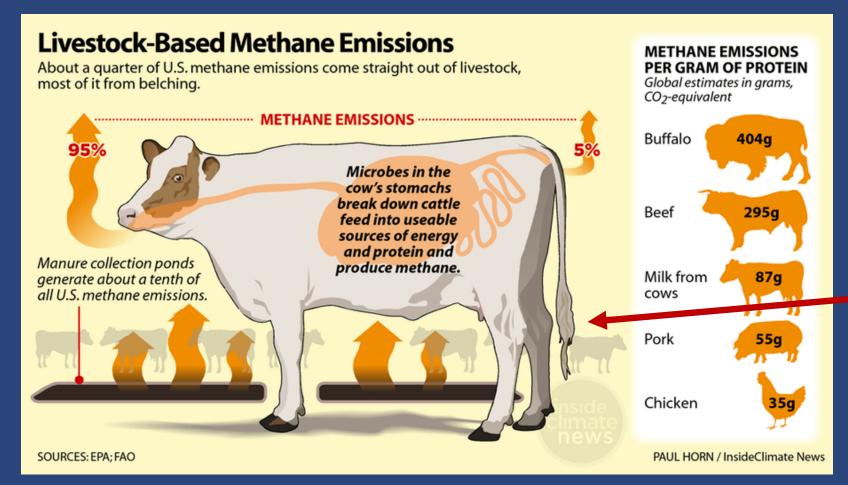


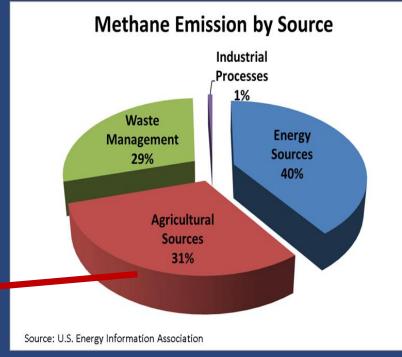
Landfills are the United States' third largest source of methane emissions, according to the EPA.



What are some ways you could reduce the amount of waste that goes into landfills?







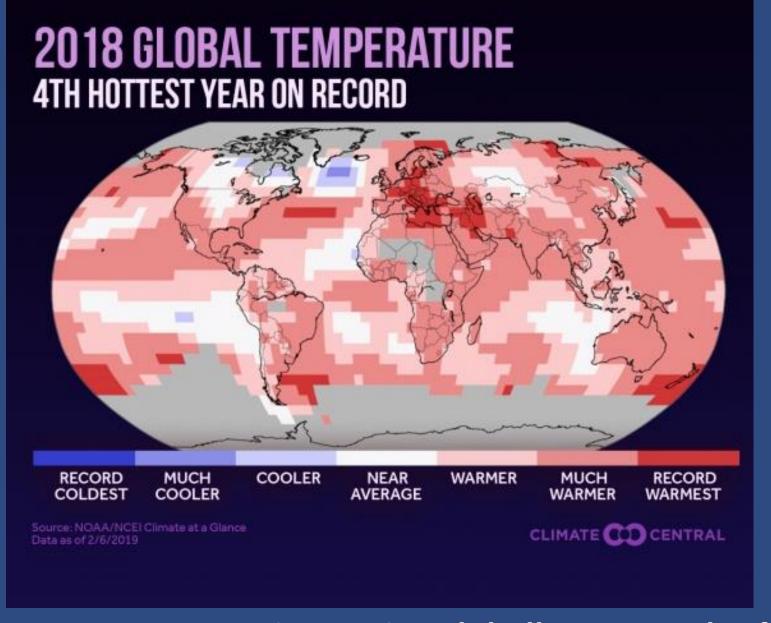
Agricultural Sources, like livestock manure, is the second highest source of methane emissions

In New Jersey, transportation represents the largest single source of greenhouse gas emissions.

- NJDEP

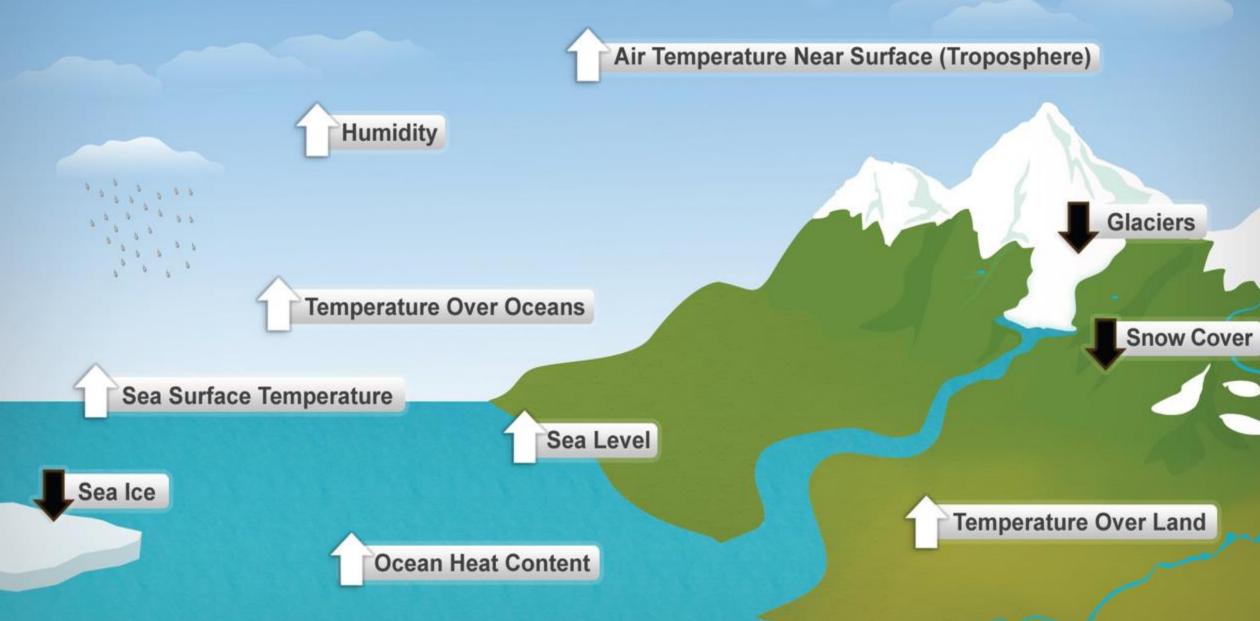






Temperatures are increasing globally as a result of increased in CO2 emissions

Ten Indicators of a Warming World



What are some ways that we could reduce green house gas emissions from transportation activity?

