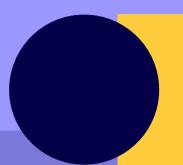
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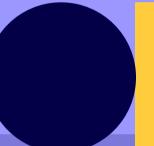
As part of the third Things That Matter report, prepared by South Australia's Commissioner for Children and Young People, almost 14,000 children aged 8–12 responded to the prompt, 'the world would be better if...'. Here, we share some of their responses*.





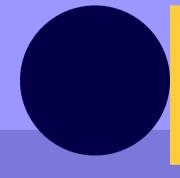
12-year-old male

'we used less fossil fuels we found more sustainable energy sources, sexism and racism rates go down, we stopped destroying the land, water, air.'



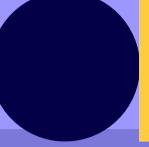
11-year-old female

'there was no climate change or covid 19 and if grownups listened to childrens ideas and opinions more.'



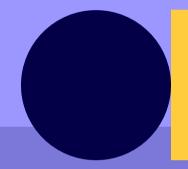
9-year-old female

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who are moving schools to
make them feel better and for
people with helth issuse and
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a person to help!'



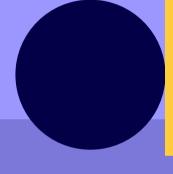
11-year-old female

'the government and grownups cared about our future, and didn't just ignore the fact that we are ruining earth, and basically just making a bad future for the next generation.'



10-year-old male

'People had more empathy for the people going through tough times with money, finances and poverty.'



12-year-old female

'people would lisson to the smaller voices more, insted of the more powerful ones.'



11-year-old male

'kids could talk back when they need to defend themselvs because sometimes adults think your the person in trouble but if kids had a chance to speak it would be a lot better.'

*All quotes have been published verbatim

