

Student perspectives: Making the world a better place



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

'there is a program for people who are moving schools to make them feel better and for people with helth issue and Anxiety and deppreshoin to have 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