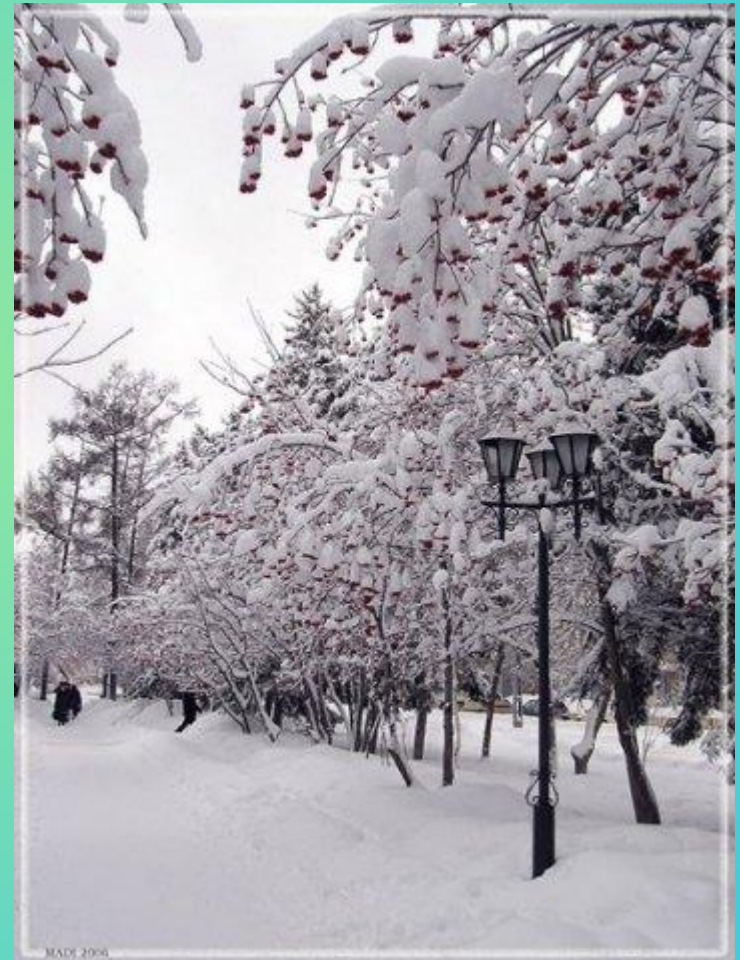


The weather,
climate change in Siberia

You can see the first snowflakes in November. The temperature at this time is 15-20 degrees below zero. In January and February it is really cold. You can wake up and find out that the temperature is - 40 C and what could you do, but anyway you have to go to school!



Spring begins in April. When spring comes nature awakens from its long winter sleep. The days are warm and everything is full of life and joy.





Spring is followed by summer. The weather is usually fine in summer, but it can be very hot specially in July. Sometimes there are storms with thunder and lightning.

Some summers are dry, sometimes they are too rainy.





Autumn begins in September. There is a short time of a dry sunny weather in September which is called "Golden Autumn".

It is a beautiful time when the sky is cloudless, the trees around are golden, the air is transparent and it is still warm. But gradually it gets colder and colder.





But this year the weather is very strange because summer was cold,rainy ,autumn was very rainy too and winter has begun only on the 1st of December. The temperature was -20C.

1. When you leave a room, do you
a) turn off all the lights?
b) leave one light on?
c) never bother to turn off the lights?

3. Do you
a) walk or ride a bike for short journeys?
b) take public transport when you can?
c) travel everywhere by car?

5. Do you
a) only use heating and air conditioning when you really need them?
b) use heating and air conditioning now and again?
c) Have the heating on all winter and air conditioning on all summer?

2. Do you
a) take short showers (less than 10 minutes)?
b) have baths?
c) take long showers (more than 10 minutes)?

4. Do you
a) separate all your rubbish and recycle what you can?
b) recycle some of your rubbish?
c) never recycle anything?

Mostly a' s well done! It sounds like you are doing all you can to help our planet. Keep up the good work.

Mostly b' s It seems like you know about the problems that are facing our environment and try to do what you can .There are still some more things that you could do through.

Mostly c' s There is a lot more you could do to help the environment. Why don't you read through the a and b answers and see if you could do any of things mentioned here/

Every little bit can help make our world a better place for everyone.