



# CLIMATE



## Picketing For Positive Change Worksheet

### TEACHER GUIDANCE SHEET

#### Required Material:

- ▶ The Picketing for Positive Change supplementary worksheet
- ▶ Pens / Pencils

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- ▶ I understand how I could encourage positive change in my own and other's lives.
- ▶ I understand how to conduct a peaceful protest.

#### STARTING ACTIVITY (5mins)

**GROUP DISCUSSION** – Tell the class that we will be creating our own picket (if the pupils do not know what a picket is then explain it is one of the ways in which people peacefully share their message during a protest). Discuss with the class what a peaceful protest is.

#### MAIN TEACHING (10mins)

Read the following to the class to inspire them to create their own picket.

Positive change can be defined as the act of making decisions or changes to one's self or environment with the aim of improving a situation in the long term. This type of change can come in many forms and be implemented in many different situations or areas of our lives.

Tell the children, for instance on an educational level that we could strive to improve our work habits and study more, or focus more during class with the aim of improving our performance at school. Also we could eat better and exercise more to make us healthier in the future.

Ask for volunteers to suggest ways in which they could make a positive change in their own lives.

Positive change is also applicable to climate change. Although our actions now may not result in

immediate improvement, making those positive changes now will benefit our planet in the years to come, and make battling climate change easier for future generations.

#### - MAIN TASK - Picketing For Positive Change (15mins)

One of the goals of picketing is to encourage more people to make this positive change so that eventual impact is bigger and maybe even better. Picketing is a good way to do this as it allows us to share our message using big, bright colourful signs, displaying what we want to share with other people.

Tell the children that we will be making our own picket using the template to share a message in the hope it may inspire someone to make a positive change themselves. It can be a message about climate change, personal growth or just a kind statement. Such as: "Positive change not climate change" "love the planet, love yourself" "help the planet take time to chill".

#### PLENARY (2mins)

**GROUP DISCUSSION** – Together discuss other types of peaceful protests that could help encourage change. Such as a mass sit down or protest art and music creation. (Give the example of Banksy for art and Band Aid for music)



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CHILDREN'S SHEET

Peaceful protests can be a wonderful way to inspire change, which you can be a part of, using your very own pickets and inspirational signs to display on a dedicated board in your school. Use this template to create a picket for the positive change you want to see.

