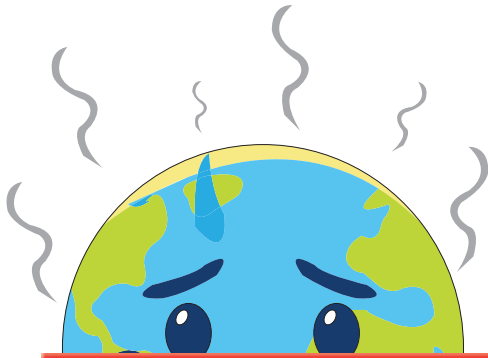# The World at Three Degrees

A soft tropical breeze can feel nice on a warm, sunny day. In fact, many people dream of lying on a sandy beach and listening to waves crash in the ocean.

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Hurricanes

A hurricane is a major storm system that develops over the ocean. As it moves across the water, it can build strength. This means it could cause major damage if it reaches land. Hurricanes don't always hit land, but if the temperature of earth were to permanently rise, more hurricanes could develop.

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Flooding

Polar ice caps help keep the earth's climate in balance. However, if the world were to get hotter, the ice caps could melt too quickly. This would mean more water filling the ocean beds. Over time, this melting could cause the sea levels to rise and cause flooding along coastal towns and along rivers and lakes.

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of fog on a chilly morning, the misty film filling the air was made up of polluted air. This pollution could make it hard to breathe. It could mean less fresh air and a poorer quality of life.

When normal weather patterns change, the air doesn't get cleaned by rain on a regular basis. Heat rises, and this makes the air stagnant. This is how air pollution can get worse.

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If these possibilities sound pretty bad, just remember there is something we can do about them! We can do our part to keep our planet healthy. We can reduce our waste, use less gasoline and coal, and recycle common materials like plastic, paper, and glass. If we work together, we can help keep our planet comfortable!

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1) Read the text to compare and contrast hurricanes, flooding, and drought. Check the boxes appropriately.

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Places start receiving less rain.			

2) How does air pollution get worse?

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3) How can we keep our planet healthy?

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