How Are Humans Damaging The Environment?

Attitudes

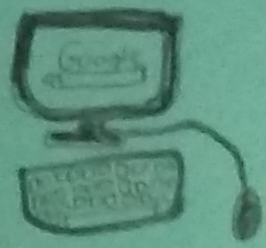
- People have not thought of the Earth as a very special place to be treasured and respected

Poverty

- In many of the worlds poorer countries people have to harm the environment just to survive. For example, rainforests are cleared so that land can be used to grow crops to sell.

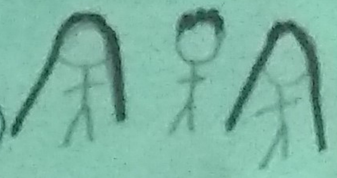
Technology

- Technology has made life better for many but it's effect on the environment hasn't been considered



Population

- In the year 1900 the world population was 1 billion. In 2000 it was 6 billion. Today (2020) it is a massive 8 billion
- More people = More demands.



Consumerism

- In rich countries people want more comfort and more luxuries. They want more ~~effective~~ ~~cars~~ and leisure goods. This puts more pressure on the environment as more ~~resources~~ have to be used to supply them.