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# *Tara Calls a 3rd Meeting*



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Tara and her friends were encouraged by their last meeting, as many more people had turned up compared to the first meeting. They began designing a banner for their next meeting, using an old, grey bedsheet with letters cut from used red t-shirt strips glued onto it. The message read:

Hi!  
I am Tara



"Climate change is a menace to our world. Our league of superheroes is taking action now, and they want YOU to join them! We are the defenders of clean air and protectors of the atmosphere from harmful fumes."

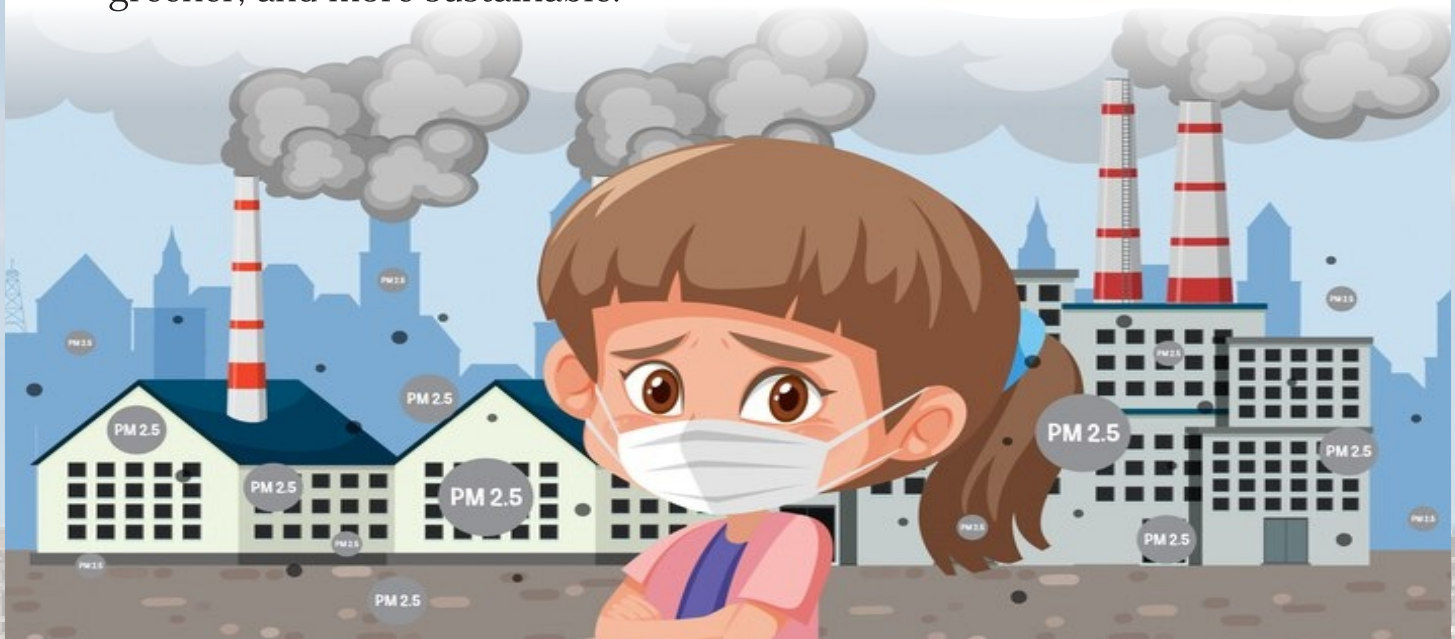
Tara and her friends were gaining popularity as the Climate Superheroes. At their next meeting, the crowd had grown even larger. This time, the topic was air pollution. They informed the attendees that 9 out of 10 people around the world breathe highly polluted air, mainly from industrial fumes, vehicle emissions, and fossil fuel burning. Everyone was surprised to learn that while cities occupy just 3 percent of the Earth's land, they are responsible for 75 percent of carbon emissions. Concerned, they wanted to know what could be done to control these emissions.





Tara and her league of superheroes began to list ways to control emissions in daily life:

1. Use personal fuel-driven vehicles only when necessary. Walk or bike to nearby places.
2. Carpool with neighbors to reach schools or offices.
3. Switch off air conditioners when not needed or use desert coolers.
4. Convince local factory owners to control emissions.
5. Use public transport.
6. Travel less.
7. Eat local products to save on emissions from vehicles transporting outside food.
8. Tara was pleased to see the meeting end on a positive note, with everyone agreeing to do their best to make their community cleaner, greener, and more sustainable.



## New Words

1. **Banner**- a piece of cloth bearing a slogan
2. **Menace**- threat
3. **Fumes**- unpleasant and poisonous smoke or gases

Find other new and interesting words for each other, and write their meanings in your notebooks.

## Comprehension

1. Why were Tara and her friends encouraged?
2. What did they design for their next meeting?
3. Which items were recycled to make the banner?
4. What was the main topic of the meeting?
5. Who were known as the Climate Superheroes?
6. What are the three main sources of air pollution?
7. Why did the attendees look concerned?

Take turns to make more questions like these above for each other and answer them.

## Prompts Pair up

1. Discuss with your partner the sources of air pollution from households and ways to control them, and make notes in your notebooks.
2. **Clean Commute Challenge**
  - a. Together, choose one of the transportation methods from Tara's list (walking, biking, carpooling, or using public transportation).
  - b. Plan a route from your house to the school using the chosen method and estimate the time and distance of the trip.
  - c. Share your route and experience with the class, discussing the environmental benefits of your chosen transportation method.

### Instructions:

- a. Together, choose one of the transportation methods from Tara's list (walking, biking, carpooling, or using public transportation).
- b. Plan a route from your house to the

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