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What's our future? Write a letter to Jacinda

- What do you want the world to look like in 10 years time?
- Why is sustainability important to you?
- What are your concerns about climate change?
- What changes do you want to see that world leaders like Jacinda Ardern could support?

In March 2021 the <u>Global Sustainability Institute (GSI)</u> at Anglia Ruskin University, UK will be celebrating its 10th anniversary. They focus all things sustainability and planet survival and work a lot with schools and with governments.

For their anniversary they are asking children (aged around 10 years old) from all over the world to write a letter to Prime Minister or World Leader of their choice. The GSI want you to share your thoughts about climate change/planetary survival over the next 10 years by writing a letter to a world leader. They want to know your hopes and visions for what you want the world, and your community, to be like in 10 years time - in 2031. What changes do you want to see that you think world leaders like our Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern could support? The aim is for your vision to help leaders see that the next generation is keen for change and will support them in bold action.

The UK hosts the next United Nations Conference of Parties on Climate Change in 2021 (COP26) to decide the next steps to combat climate change. Parts of these letters will be published as part of a book to coincide with the COP26 in the UK and will be given to world leaders. Letters may be slightly edited or published in a different format, but they will be in touch with every child who contributes a letter as the project moves forward over the next year. All letters will be published on a website linked to the book.

To take part please send your letter to Professor Aled Jones at <u>aled.jones@anglia.ac.uk</u> - include your first name, age and school. For further information please also contact Professor Aled Jones. **Remember also to send your letter to:** The Prime Minister, Jacinda Ardern, jacinda.ardern@parliament.govt.nz