Climate Justice Conversation Starters

If you are holding a placard-making workshop, you can use these statements to get people thinking about the injustices of the climate crisis and inspire the creation of messages for their placards.

"For the global South, [the climate crisis] it's a reality. I'm from Dhaka, Bangladesh. It's one of the most climate vulnerable countries in the world. For us, floods cyclones, are more intense, more frequent."

Nushrat Chowdhury, Climate Justice Advisor, Bangladesh

"For me, climate justice is a racial justice issue, because actually many of the people that experience the worst impacts [of the climate crisis] are black and brown people."

Radhika Bynon, Racial Justice Campaigner

"After disasters, people try to cope. So in many cases, they marry off their young girls. They send off their young sons to work. So they are out of school, both of them. It's not something anyone wants to do."

Nushrat Chowdhury, Climate Justice Advisor, Bangladesh

"It's not always okay to be in the comfort of your house in one of the higher communities, and you have everything, and someone in the world is feeling the impact."

Nigerian youth climate activist

"The richest nations have a moral responsibility to help the poorest in the world."

Sir David Attenborough

"The countries from the global south who are suffering because people in the north are creating the problem, creating the pollution. And so if you are going to fix the problem, you have to use the wealth that's been created off the back of these poorer countries and distribute it. So it's about redistribution of the wealth that's come in there and to uplift those countries."

Alton Bell, Chair of the Movement for Justice and Reconciliation



"A vision of climate justice is not just about tweaking our energy systems, committing to slightly more efficient cars on our roads, or becoming vegan. It's about recognising that our climate crisis is rooted in inequality: for hundreds of years our global economy has been a place where a few have been winning whilst others have been losing out. Those who have lost out are now, as we speak, being hit by climate breakdown."

Youth climate striker and London Quaker

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