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Sustainable Development Goal 11



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Lessoncard Guide:



Lesson Overview:

In this overview you can find everything that you need and/or have in your packet to teach about the eleventh Sustainable Development Goal (SDG): Sustainable cities and communities.



Learning Objectives:

- What they mean by sustainable cities and communities
- Why cities are designed as they are
- Getting an idea of what isn't a sustainable city and community
- What the world is doing to better itself on this front



Key Objective:

Getting the students into motion so they think about the Sustainable Development Goal and how they can improve themselves to make a contribution to it.



What to find in this lesson card:

- Informational video's
- Questionnaires
- Interesting facts
- An immersive VR experience

Building Sustainable and Inclusive Cities: Exploring SDG 11

SDG 11, known as "Sustainable Cities and Communities," focuses on making urban areas inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable amidst the global trend of urbanization. It acknowledges the challenges and opportunities presented by rapid urban growth, aiming to transform cities into hubs of opportunity for all residents.

The goal promotes sustainable planning, management, and development of urban areas, with the aim of creating inclusive, livable, and environmentally responsible communities. By prioritizing social inclusion, environmental sustainability, and resilience to various stressors, SDG 11 seeks to ensure the well-being of city dwellers while minimizing the environmental impact of urbanization.



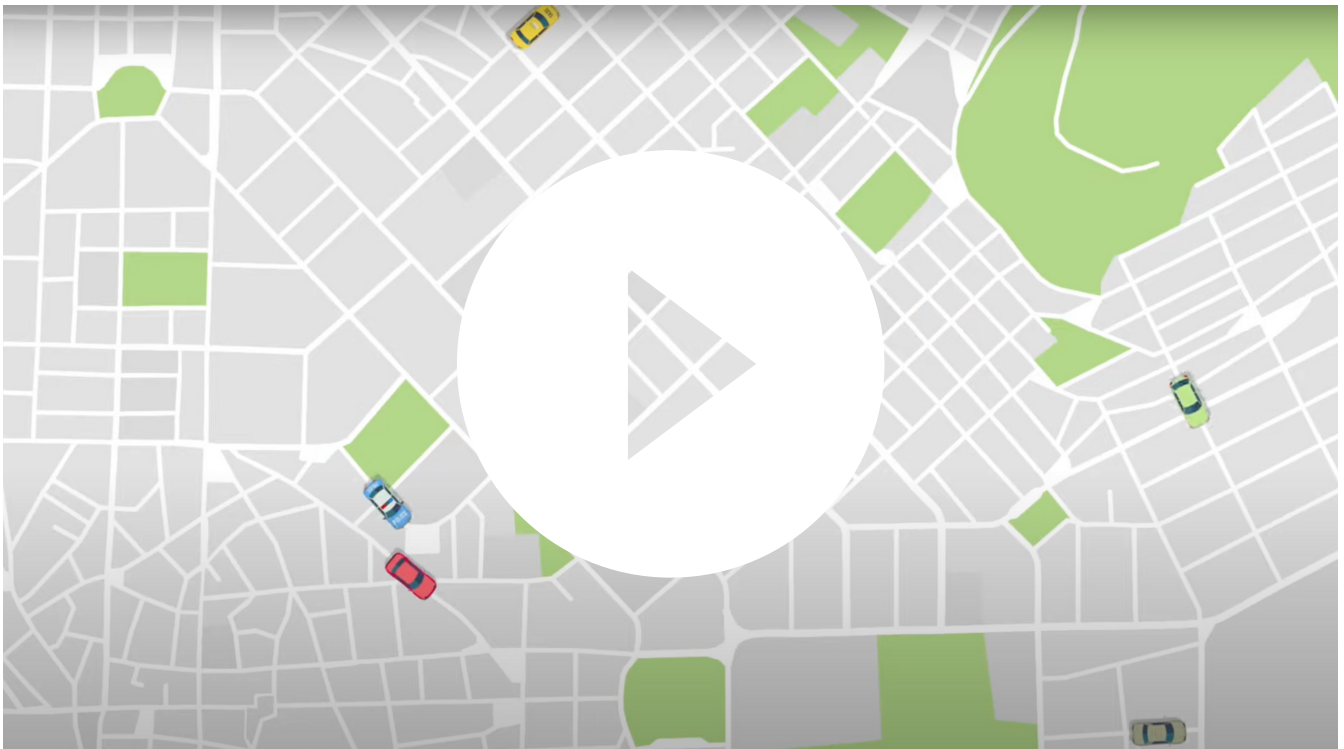
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Learn more: Videos

Explore the vibrant tapestry of sustainable communities, whether amidst the hustle and bustle of a city or the serenity of an island oasis. Thriving green spaces, meticulously tended and inviting to all, breathe life into our urban landscapes. With careful urban planning and diligent upkeep, we endeavor to create cities and communities that offer opportunities for learning, employment, and leisure to everyone.



Source: *Understand Goal 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities (Secondary)* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VrBrpSTwPK8>

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Questions

- Why is it emphasized that life is better when citizen communities are filled with green spaces?
- What role does proper planning and maintenance play in creating welcoming cities and communities?
- How can urban design contribute to making cities places where everyone can learn, work, and enjoy life?
- In what ways are good people working to make cities and communities better, especially in terms of sustainability and resource use?





For more information...



Source: Sustainable Cities and Communities 🏡 SDG 11 🌱 Sustainable Development Goals for Kids
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7hEYtozmb5o>



Source: Understand Goal 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities (Primary)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r2myzbWQIJA>



Source: Sustainable Development Goal 11 - Sustainable Cities and Communities - Tommy Wiedmann
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Awu3JJC3A0k>



Source: SDG 11 Sustainable Cities & Communities - UN Sustainable Development Goals - DEEP DIVE
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ynRIiS3HxQ>





Did you know?



Since 2007, the world's urban population has surpassed its rural counterpart, and this shift is set to persist. By 2050, an estimated two-thirds of the global population will call urban areas home, underlining the urgency for sustainable urban planning and development.

One pressing issue linked to urbanization is the existence of informal settlements or slums in numerous cities globally. These areas are home to around one billion people, accounting for one in every eight urban residents. Unfortunately, those living in slums often lack access to basic necessities such as proper housing, clean water, sanitation, and essential services.



The concept of resilience is crucial for sustainable urban development. Building resilient cities involves planning and infrastructure development that can withstand and recover from shocks such as natural disasters, economic downturns, or public health crises, ensuring continuity and well-being for urban populations.



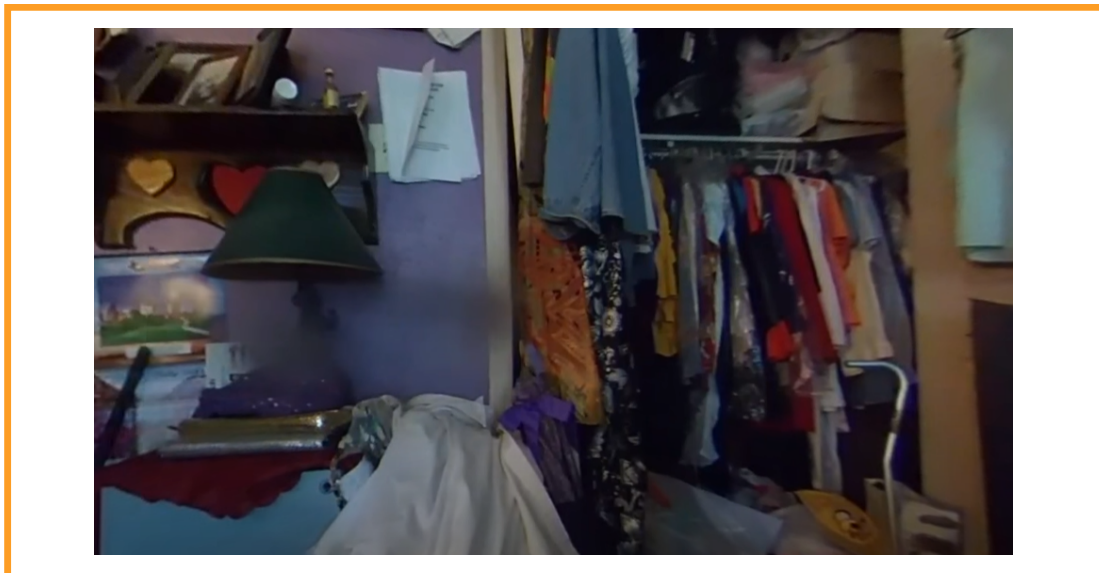


Complex city

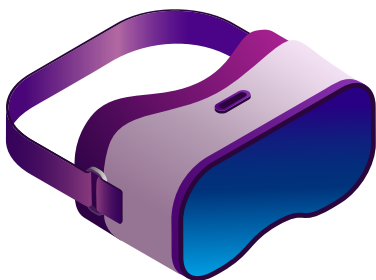
The video is about the experiences of people living near Fifth Ward and how they deal with the neighbourhood's stereotypes and challenges. Despite the problems, they also emphasize the positive aspects of the neighbourhood and their pride in their origins. They would like to change prejudices about the neighbourhood and show that there is much more than just poverty and crime.

How to get there

Visit the virtual experience by clicking the following link:
[Complex city](#)
or by scanning the QR code.



Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9KjJb2RTOC4>



Instructions for VR goggles

If you have a VR-headset you can watch this video in VR.

1. Put on VR goggles and open the web browser in the VR-set.
2. Type in or enter the link in the address bar.
3. Look around, listen well and enjoy the video!





Questions

- According to the video, what factors contribute to the stereotypes associated with living in the hood?
- Is your village or city an enjoyable place to reside? Please elaborate on the reasons.



What you can do

Community Engagement: Get involved in local community initiatives and participate in decision-making processes related to urban development. Attend town hall meetings, share ideas for sustainable projects, and collaborate with local authorities to address specific needs and concerns.

Environmental Stewardship: Advocate for environmental sustainability within your community. Support and join local efforts that focus on preserving green spaces, reducing waste, and promoting energy efficiency. Encourage the adoption of eco-friendly practices at home, school, and work.

Awareness and Advocacy: Raise awareness about the importance of sustainable urban development. Advocate for policies that prioritize affordable housing, inclusive infrastructure, and accessible public spaces. Educate others about the impact of urbanization on the environment and the well-being of communities, and encourage them to take action.

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