

Environment

Dürreperiode, Trockenheit	<i>Changes in the water cycle have caused floods and droughts.</i>	Nachhaltigkeit	<i>To attain sustainability we must learn how to reduce our impact on the environment.</i>
Rohstoffvorkommen	<i>Why do we deplete our natural resources and poison the atmosphere?</i>	Ölersatz	<i>Biomass is the oil replacement of the future.</i>
Kleinbauer	<i>Many African smallholders are resource-poor.</i>	Mülldeponie, Müllablageplatz	<i>A tortoise which climbed into its owner's rubbish bin was found alive at a landfill site / rubbish dump / waste disposal site.</i>
Abfallentsorgung	<i>There are methods of waste disposal that release air pollutants and greenhouse gases into the atmosphere.</i>	Müllverbrennung	<i>What are the health risks that waste incineration brings about?</i>
Feldfrucht / Ertrag, Ernte	<i>In which way are genetically modified crops different from conventional crops? Applying fertilizer at the right time can double crop yields.</i>	Raps	<i>In Germany rape seed oil is free of taxes.</i>
Kraftwerk	<i>The government supported coal-fired power stations and wind power stations.</i>	Schadstoff	<i>This newly detected pollutant is as damaging as the effect of cigarette smoke.</i>
Unkrautvernichtungsmittel	<i>A herbicide is used to kill unwanted plants.</i>	Ruß	<i>Soot is an airborne pollutant.</i>
Schädlingsbekämpfungsmittel	<i>Biologically-based pesticides are safer than traditional pesticides.</i>	Gen-Nahrung	<i>Are there any adverse effects of genetically modified food (= GM food)?</i>
schädlingsresistente Anbaufrüchte	<i>Pest-resistant crops are often genetically modified.</i>	Katalysator	<i>The catalytic converter cleans gases passing through vehicles' exhaust systems.</i>
Mais	<i>The environmental benefits of maize biofuel are uncertain. (amerikanisch: corn)</i>	Verbrennung	<i>Coal combustion produces a lot of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases.</i>
etwas entsorgen, beseitigen	<i>The best way to dispose of paint is to deliver it to a waste recycling centre.</i>	(Müll) ablagern, abladen	<i>It's disappointing that many people continue to dump rubbish in the forest.</i>
abmildern	<i>Hopefully the consequences of climate change can be mitigated.</i>	saurer Regen	<i>Environmentalists usually are very passionate about the effect sour rain / acid rain has on our forest.</i>
Treibhauseffekt	<i>The greenhouse effect was first discovered by J. Fourier in 1824.</i>	ökologischer Fußabdruck (= Einfluss jedes einzelnen auf die Umwelt)	<i>On the internet you find carbon footprint calculators to measure your impact on our climate.</i>

ökologisch nachhaltig	To make your consumer behaviour sustainable , you should only buy what you need.	etwas loswerden	Do you know how to get rid of bed bugs if you find them in your home?
biologisch hergestellter Kraftstoff	Biofuels have caused a food crisis by forcing global food prices up by 75%.	vom Aussterben bedroht	The US leads the world in the number of plant species that are threatened by extinction .
Niederschläge	Researchers estimate that precipitation across the globe may change.	Abfall, Müll	Americans create nearly 210 million tons of garbage each year. / Waste management poses many challenges today. / Depending on the type of material, waste can also be called rubbish, litter, garbage or junk .
Müllabfuhr	Almost every city runs a weekly rubbish collection service for households.	wiederverwendbar / Wegwerf-	You should prefer reusable to disposable shopping bags.
Düngemittel, Dünger	Can you tell me how much fertilizer I should spread on my lawn?	weltweite Erwärmung	Our research focuses on the impacts of global warming and climate change.
Umweltverschmutzung	Environmental pollution is increasingly attacking the earth's ecosphere.	erneuerbare Energie	Energy sources like wind, solar energy or geothermal energy belong to the renewable forms of energy or the so-called renewables .
voraus ahnen, erwarten	Climate change has long been anticipated .	nicht zuverlässig, unberechenbar	Solar energy is intermittent / unreliable and that's why it must be stored on a large scale.
schädliche Abgase	Can noxious fumes be given off a gas oven?	energiesparend	Always buy energy efficient / energy saving products!
CO2-frei	This environmental initiative will help you to go carbon free by switching to clean energy.	fossiler Brennstoff	Burning any fossil fuel contributes to the greenhouse effect.
FCKWs	CFCs were developed for refrigeration and spray cans.	(sich) anpassen an	Man has learnt to adapt to his environment.
tiefgreifend	Agriculture has changed profoundly in recent years.	Ackerland	In China, arable land is shrinking fast.
Nahrungsmittelknappheit	The current world food shortage is directly linked to fuel, especially bio-fuel.	Abwasser	Today all sewage or wastewater is disposed of by public sewage systems.
verseuchen, verheeren	Nuclear accidents can devastate huge areas.	Kohlendioxid	Carbon dioxide can be found in air, but also in water.
Verschmutzung	Visitors described the city as a place of industry, pollution and grime.	Bodenerosion,	Soil erosion / top soil loss is a major environmental problem all over the globe.
Mülltrennung	Initially waste separation was started as a method of processing household waste.		
Abwärme	Many companies use waste heat recovery to improve their energy efficiency.		

verschlimmern	The effects of global warming are exacerbated by deforestation.	biologisch abbaubar	Biodegradable plastics are made from renewable resources such as plants.
Energieeinsparung	Energy conservation should be among everyone's main priorities.	Überweidung	Overgrazing of pastures is a serious problem of modern agriculture.
Biogas-Erzeugungsanlage	We offer an improved anaerobic digester for producing methane gas from waste biomass.	schützen vor	Healthy eating will help protect us from cancer and other diseases.
verbrennen	If our waste is not incinerated , it is likely to end up in landfill sites.	Waldsterben	In that region a forest blight has occurred due to global warming.
schädlich	Are genetically modified foods harmful or helpful?	sich zersetzen	Chemical substances can decompose into its elements.
in die Tat umsetzen	We should implement the plan to harness geothermal energy.	biologischer Landbau	Organic farming has become one of the fastest growing segments of our country's agriculture.
einer Sache ausgesetzt sein	We are exposed to natural and to man-made radiation.	Hungersnot	During the 1959/61 famine in China millions starved to death.
ausstoßen	Some air fresheners emit dozens of toxic chemicals.	eine Bedrohung darstellen	It is a sobering thought that our lifestyle poses a threat to the environment.
ungenutzt, nicht nutzbar gemacht	This is a research project on the use of untapped energy from garbage incineration.		
Widerstand(skraft) gegen	Man's resistance to infectious diseases is clearly deteriorating.		