

Air Pollution Stinks!

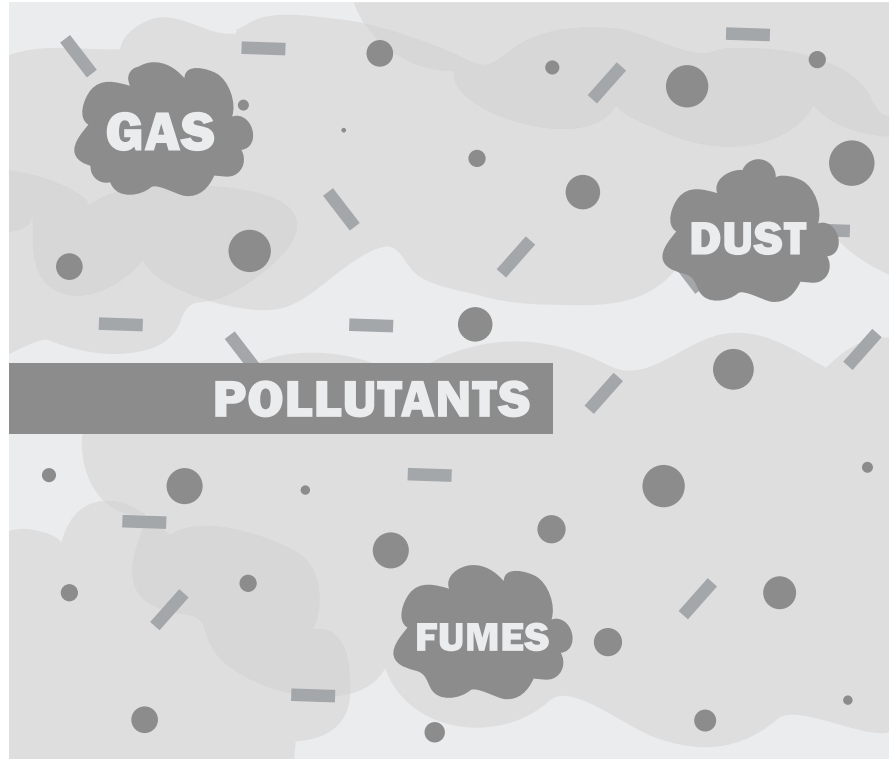
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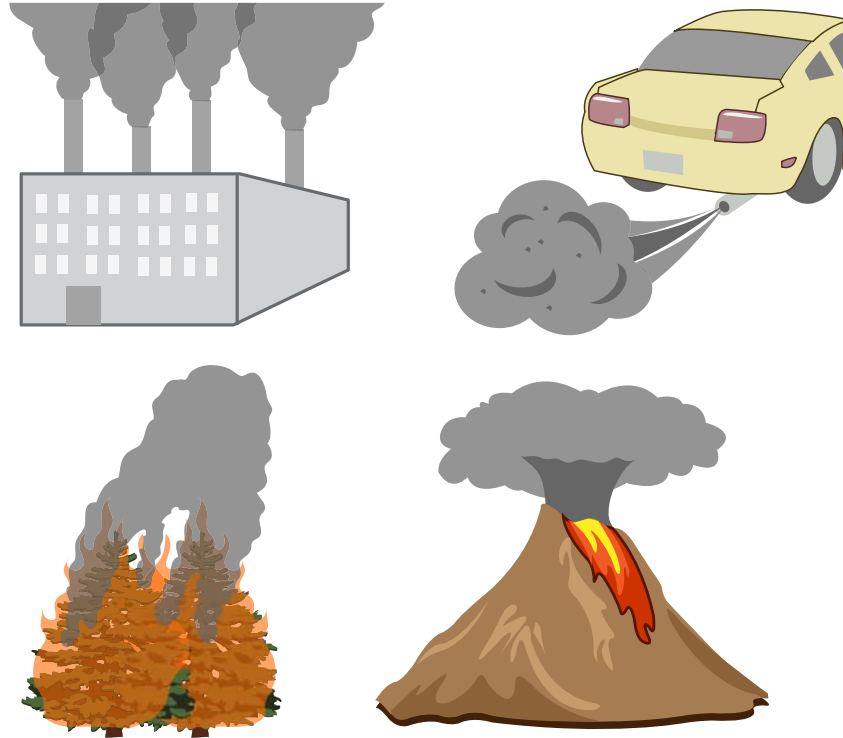
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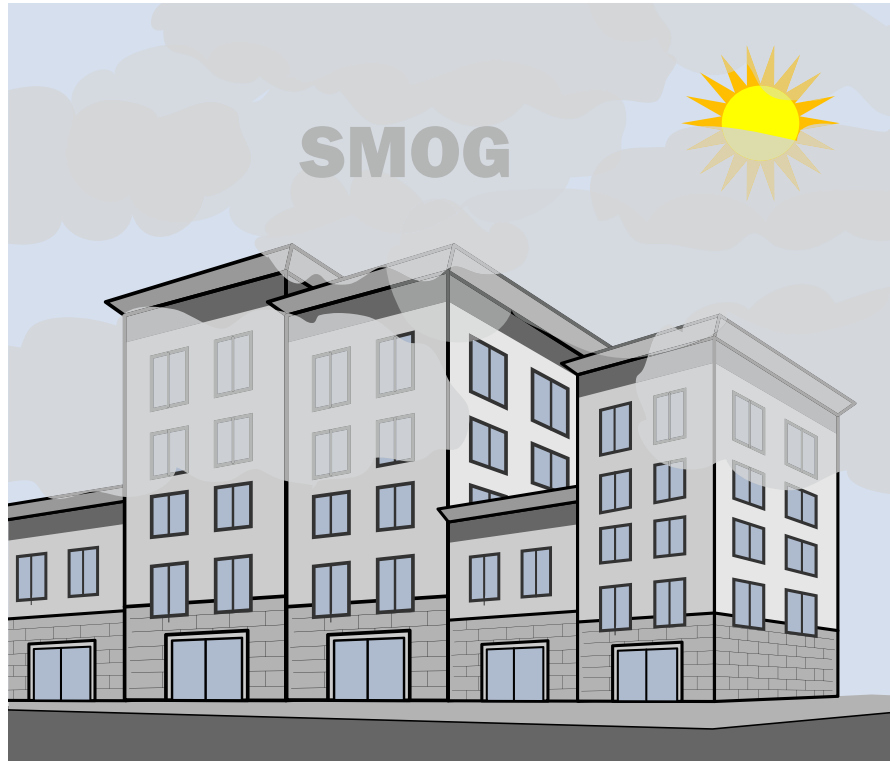
Cough, Cough! Simon covers his face as a truck drives past. Simon sees a lot of exhaust coming out of the truck. Simon's dad says, "He is polluting the air." What is air pollution? Simon wants to learn about **air pollution.**



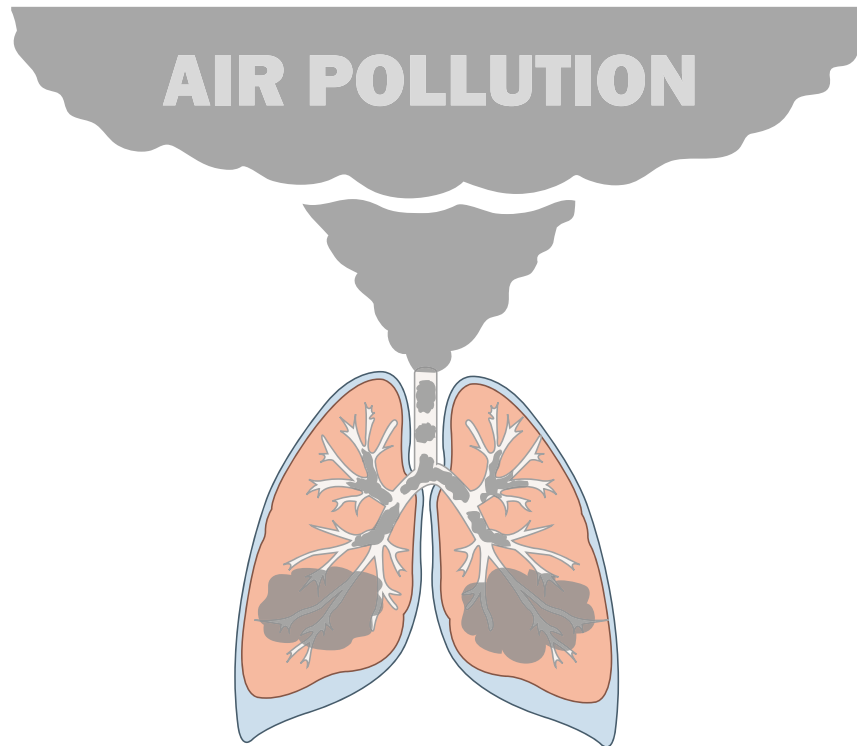
Air pollution is when the air is filled with dangerous amounts of gas, dust and fumes. The substances that cause air pollution are called **pollutants**.



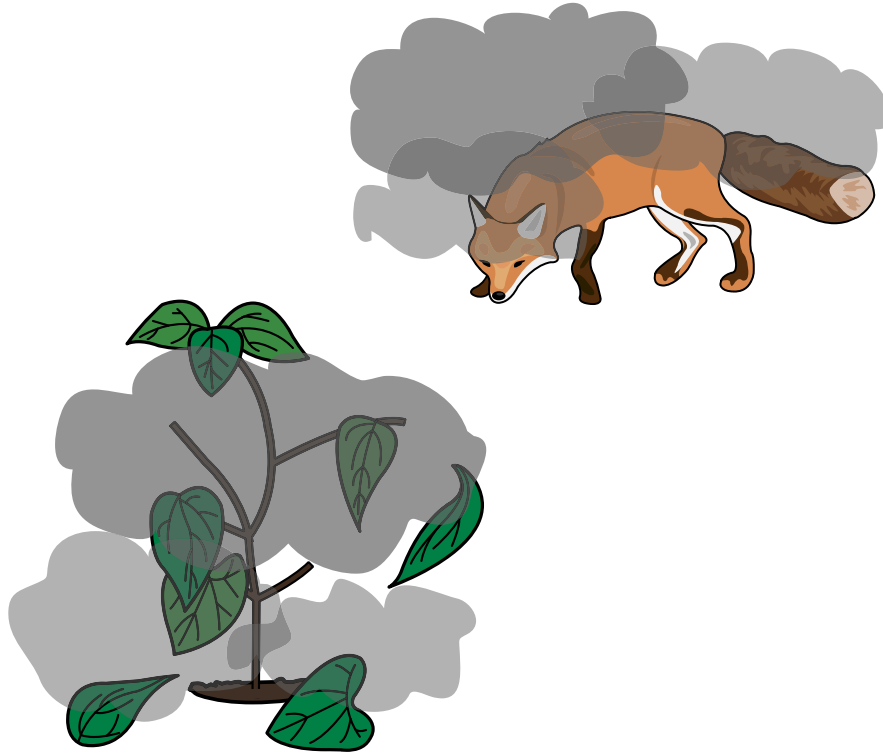
Pollutants can come from factories and vehicles. Some pollutants happen naturally during forest fires and volcano eruptions.



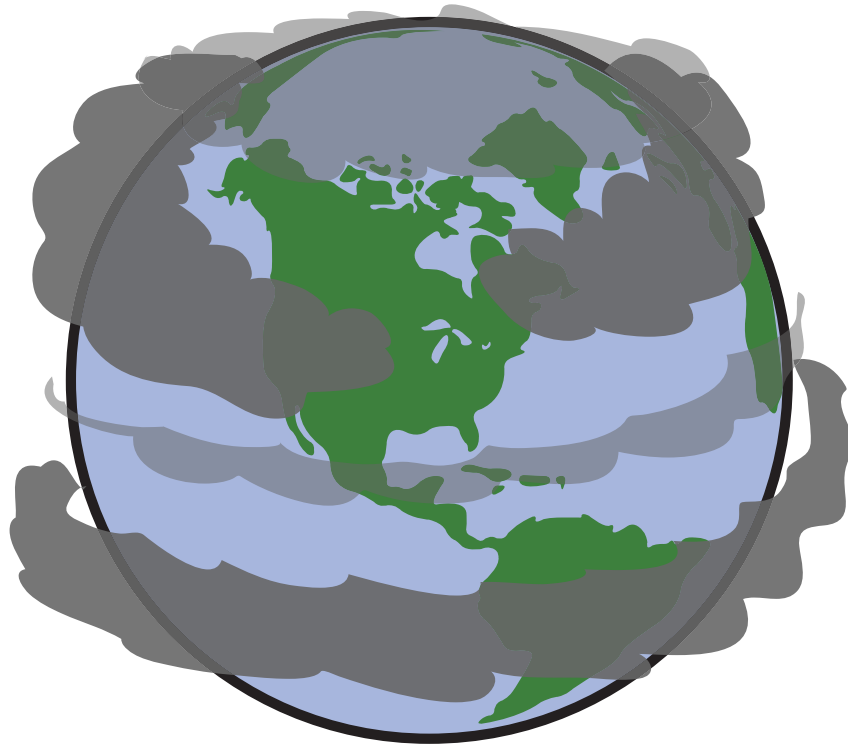
These pollutants move and gather in the air. A lot of pollutants in one area causes **smog**. When smog is in the air, you will see the sky filled with smoky fog. Smog is dangerous!



Air pollution is harmful to us. When it fills the air, it makes it hard for us to breathe. Air pollution is bad for our health. It can hurt our lungs!



Air pollution is harmful to our environment. Animals and plants need clean air to stay healthy too. Air pollution causes animals to get sick. Air pollution stops plants from growing!



Air pollution is harmful to our atmosphere. It causes problems in our ozone layer. Air pollution causes global warming. This causes problems for the Earth.



We can reduce air pollution. Help
Simon in the fight against air pollution by:

- using less electricity
- recycling
- using less fuel

yes



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no



fill 	breathe 	dangerous / harmful 	Simon 	air pollution 	air 	pollutant
hurt 	stop 	hard 	factory 	vehicle 	smog 	health
grow 	reduce 	bad 	lungs 	environment 	animal 	plant
help 	use 	sick 	atmosphere 	problem 	ozone layer 	global warming
recycle 		less 	Earth 	electricity 	fuel 	

Glossary



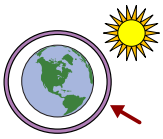
air pollution - harmful gases in the air



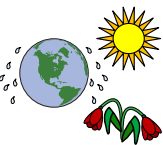
pollutant - a harmful waste in the water, air or soil



smog - fog or haze caused by air pollutants



ozone layer - layer of Earth's atmosphere that absorbs the Sun's energy.



global warming - increase in temperature of the Earth's atmosphere.