Climate Change Explore

Although climate change can be a controversial topic, in order to engage in meaningful dialogue it’s important that everyone feel comfortable sharing beliefs and opinions. For this reason, as we continue to discuss climate change, it’s important to adhere to these guidelines:

• Listen respectfully, without interrupting.

• It’s okay to disagree, but criticize ideas, not individuals.

• Avoid inflammatory language, tone of voice, scoffing, laughing etc.

**Derogatory comments towards other classmates will NOT be tolerated.**

**Part I – KWL Chart (what do you KNOW about climate change? What do you WANT TO KNOW?)**

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| KNOW | WANT TO KNOW |
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**Part II –** Consider the following statements and determine why they are true or false. Justify your answer.

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| **Statement** | **Circle True or False** | **Write a few words about why you think each statement is true/false.** |
| **Climate change is just a hypothesis, so there’s no good evidence for it.** | **True/False** |  |
| **There’s no way to predict what will happen to the climate. The weather forecast is wrong all of the time.** | **True/False** |  |
| **There is a direction connection between human activities like burning fossil fuels and what is happening in the climate.**  | **True/False** |  |
| **Climate change won’t happen for a long time. If it happens at all we won’t see the effects for hundreds of years.** | **True/False** |  |
| **Climate change is something that environmentalists made up for personal reasons.** | **True/False** |  |
| **Ms. Wallace thinks climate change is happening, so I should think so too.**  | **True/False** |  |