

# WHAT DOES CLIMATE MEAN TO ME?

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Hello!

My name is \_\_\_\_\_. I am \_\_\_\_\_ years old and this is why climate is important to me:

Grade:

Teacher name:



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Science Literacy Week will be celebrated throughout Canada from September 20th to 26th. During this week, the West Coast NEST along with other educational organizations from across the country will be highlighting all the wonderful and diverse science resources available to us including books, movies, podcasts, exhibits and more!

This year's Science Literacy Week theme is **CLIMATE**. We want to engage our communities' youth in discussion about climate and what it means to them. To do so, the West Coast NEST is holding a Coastal Climate Colouring Draw. Using the sheets provided, we are asking students to draw pictures that communicate why climate is important to them.

It may be beneficial to provide students with some prompts to help them understand the question and get the creative juices flowing! Maybe they enjoy skiing in the winter, fishing in the summer, swimming in a local river on a hot summer day, or seeing their favourite critters in the ocean's tidepools? Encourage them to think of a favourite activity that our regional climate allows them to do. Feel free to use any of the amazing Canadian science resources available to you (including those listed below) to dive as deeply (or shallowly) into the topic of global climate change as you feel is appropriate. The goal is to both explore climate science AND help students understand how it may impact their ever day lives!

All completed drawings will be collected by West Coast NEST staff the following week (Monday, September 27th). Each drawing will count as an entry into the Coastal Climate Week draw, with one lucky artist **winning Ucluelet Aquarium admission for their entire class and teacher!** Submissions may be shared on West Coast NEST and Clayoquot Biosphere Trust platforms.

For more Science Literacy Week information, visit: [scienceliteracy.ca](https://www.scienceliteracy.ca)

For some helpful **CLIMATE** resources, try checking out: [Government of Canada: Causes and Effects of Climate Change Webpage](#), [climatedata.ca](https://www.climatedata.ca) , [climateatlas.ca](https://www.climateatlas.ca)

or any of the other resources shared on the Coastal Climate Event listing on the West Coast NEST Webpage.

Feel free to reach out to the West Coast NEST communications team at [communications@westcoastnest.org](mailto:communications@westcoastnest.org) if you have any additional questions. Happy drawing!

