

Ecological Footprint Homework

An ecological footprint is a calculation that shows the productive area of Earth needed to support one person in a particular country. It estimates land use, for housing, foresting, grazing, and crops. It also takes into consideration the usage of fossil fuels and the forest area needed to absorb the resulting air pollution.

For this project you will need to log onto the following website and fill out the DETAILED questions (do not use the basic information option while taking the quiz) to the best of your HONEST capability. You then need to print out the quiz results to include in your report. Then you need to create a plan for yourself and/or household to reduce your carbon footprint.

<http://www.footprintnetwork.org/en/index.php/GFN/page/calculators/>

You will turn into me

- a copy of your carbon footprint quiz result
- a paper explaining a DETAILED plan on how you plan to improve your carbon footprint and how you will check in on your progress as well as how often you will check. Be sure to answer the following questions in your paper.
 - Why do you think I made you do this?
 - Did your results surprise you? Why or why not?
 - Do you think you will honestly change this?
 - Do you believe that your footprint is above or below the average for the United States?
 - What do you think can/should be done in order to educate people on how to reduce and the importance of reducing their carbon footprint?

