

Botswana-U.S. Learner Dialogue on U.N. Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)



Objective:

To identify a U.N. Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) that you believe is interesting and/or important and to express your opinion on realistic individual and collective actions that can be taken to help achieve that goal.

Why Is It Important/Relevant?

The Sustainable Development Goals were developed by all 193 countries in the United Nations. According to the UN's own definition, the Sustainable Development Goals are "a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity..."

Step 1. Important Preparatory Research

View, read and study the following resources and explore related links:

1. How We Can Make the World a Better Place by 2030 TED Talk located here:

<https://tinyurl.com/njafuyn>

2. Homepage for the U.N. Sustainable Development Goals located here:

<https://tinyurl.com/yafaeg9p>

3. Why the SDGS Matter located here:

<https://tinyurl.com/y6dsj2uf>

Step 2. Respond to Questions

Choose ONE of the U.N. Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that you personally believe is most interesting or important and answer the following questions on the back of this paper:

1. Why do you believe this is the most interesting and/or important SDG?
2. Identify and explain one or more major roadblocks towards achieving this goal in the **U.S.**
3. What do you think young **Americans** can do as individuals to help achieve this goal?
4. What do you think the **U.S.** can do as a country to work towards achieving this goal?

There is no correct answer. These are your opinions. Make sure your responses are doable.

Step 3. Gather Peer Feedback

Ask two or more peers to read through your responses and offer you constructive feedback. Is there something you could add or express more clearly? Edit and proofread your response as needed.

Step 4: Practice Reading Your Response Loudly and Clearly

Step 5. Record Your Video Response on Flipgrid (Your Teacher Will Help You With This)

Step 6. Respond to Botswana Learner's Videos (Your Teacher Will Help You With This)

Write Your Response Here

Choose ONE of the U.N. Sustainable Development Goals that you personally believe is most interesting or important and answer the following questions:

1. I believe the most interesting and/or important United Nations Sustainable Development Goal is:

2. A major roadblock (or roadblocks) towards achieving this goal in the **U.S.** is (or are):

3. As individuals, young **Americans** can help achieve this goal by:

4. As a country, the **United States** can work towards achieving this goal by:

Use another sheet of paper for more room.