





What is the problem and why is it a problem?

How is it hurting or bothering people, the school and/or the environment?

What action(s) will we take?

How will we persuade people at school to change current practices in order to solve the problem?

K-2

Our students and staff don't know what kind of trees are around our school grounds and also want to plant more trees.

3-5

Most of our students have never spent time in a forest ecosystem.

K-2

- Study trees and develop tree picture books
- Learn to identify 3 trees
- Plant 3-5 new trees

3-5

- Find a local forested ecosystem to study
- Plan and take 3 field trips to study area one per season





How will we check our progress to see how are we doing?

What will it look like or what will happen if we solve the problem?

What materials do we need to solve our problem?

Do we have them at school? Will we need any money? Where can we find donations?

K-2

- Tree books completed
- Trees planted
- Maintenance plan in place

3-5

- Students will gather data on their forested ecosystem during each site visit
- Record and develop site reports and drawings for assessment

K-2

- Students show new knowledge of tree identification and value of trees
- New trees are planted and survive on school grounds

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Students will collaborate to, prepare and present one report to engage and excite the entire school during a spring meeting to share their knowledge

K-2

- Cost of trees, free trees may be available through tree planting programs
- Soil, compost, natural amendments
- Materials for books

3-5

- Bus cost for transportation
- Materials and tools for exploration and investigation