



Green growth 2



Use the Exploring fact sheet Green Growth 1 as an introduction to the topic of green energy.

We know economic growth has to be matched by the preservation of the earth's resources. But the means by which this is achieved are not always popular, especially in rural areas. Why not?

Wind farms

Wind farms are created when multiple wind turbines are placed in the same location for the purpose of generating large amounts of electric power.



You can find a map of wind farm locations here

<http://www.renewables-map.co.uk/windfarm.asp>

Why might wind farms be unpopular?

<https://www.power-technology.com/features/understanding-the-public-love-hate-relationship-with-wind-power/>

There are many advantages to wind power: wind is free; farming land can still be used beneath the turbines; there are no polluting gases.

What other advantages



might there be?

<http://www.technologystudent.com/energy1/wind8.htm>

http://www.conserve-energy-future.com/Advantages_WindEnergy.php

There is a great deal of information here:

http://www.efn-uk.org/l-street/ren-lib/wind-reports/index_files/BWEA_School_Pack.pdf

Wind power is an issue that provokes strong feelings. Some people have set up an organisation with all their reasons here:

<http://www.nowind.org.uk/charter.html#1>

Here's an example of growing protests:

<https://earthier.gizmodo.com/anti-wind-farm-activism-is-sweeping-europe-and-the-us-c-1829627812>

And now an example of local support for onshore wind

<https://environmentjournal.online/articles/the-british-public-supports-onshore-wind-why-wont-the-government/>

Having done all your research, what's your own point of view?

Organise a debate in class with representatives of opposing views.

