

Why Can't We Breathe Fresh Air?

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When you cross the road, do you cover the mouth and nose? I think most Hong Kong people do this because they don't want to breathe in harmful air.

Air pollution is a serious environmental problem in Hong Kong. The two major polluters are energy companies and vehicles. Since Hong Kong is an international city. There are numerous companies and cars here. But the majority of Hong Kong citizens are not particularly aware of environmental protection.

To help improve the air quality, the government can remind citizens to turn off their air-conditioning if the temperature is under 25.5°C; drivers should also be made to use 'green' petrol.

Protecting the environment is not only the government's responsibility. It is the public's responsibility too. For instance, we should use public transport more. Drivers should also turn off idling engines. We should also turn on the air conditioning and lights only when necessary.

We can buy energy-saving appliances or stop using unnecessary devices such as electric toothbrushes. We can walk or ride a bike more often.

If we follow these suggestions, I believe that Hong Kong will become a 'green' as well as a really 'international' city one day.