

Main activity

Show students the video by Xiye (pronounced "she-ay") Bastida-Patrick (Otomi-Toltec Climate Justice Activist) about re-imagining the future of the Earth. What is Xiye trying to explain to us? How does her video make you feel?

Small team discussions: Give students the following prompt and ask them to discuss how they would respond:

Your neighbors and you were playing basketball outside. You told them how excited you were to learn about the Earth but how you are concerned about how everyone will be affected by Climate Change if we do not do something about it. Your neighbor's brother, who is a teenager says, "Ah, I wouldn't even be worried about it. If we mess up the Earth, we'll just move to Mars or another planet that's out there." Using what you've learned so far, what would you explain to them? With your team, plan a short response that is under 1 minute long. Please write it down and designate a PR Manager to share with the class.