

# GRETA THUNBERG #ClimateStrike

Greta is a 16-year-old Swedish climate activist. In her Facebook (March 16th 2019) you can see her passionate call for action against global warming. She explains why, in August 2018, she walked out of school and organized a strike to raise awareness of global warming, protesting outside the Swedish parliament and grabbing the world's attention: "All we have to do is to wake up and change".

GO TO GRETA THUNBERG'S FACEBOOK AND WATCH HER VIDEO OF MARCH 16th

<http://t.ted.com/Kv2eQHR>



*You say you love your children above all else, and yet you are stealing their future in front of their very eyes.*

- Greta Thunberg

- ♣ **Strike:** hacer huelga, huelga.
- ♣ **Call:** llamar; llamamiento.
- ♣ **Global warming:** calentamiento global.
- ♣ **Raise awareness:** crear conciencia.
- ♣ **Wake up:** despertar.
- ♣ **Remember:** recordar

**I first heard about something called climate change**

**I remember thinking that it was very strange if burning fossil fuels was so bad**

**that it threatened our very existence how could we just continue like before?**

**So, why are we not reducing our emissions?**

**Why are they, in fact, still increasing?**

- ♣ **Burn:** quemar.
- ♣ **Threaten:** amenazar.
- ♣ **In fact:** de hecho.
- ♣ **Increasing:** incrementarse.
- ♣ **Reduce = decrease:** reducirse.
- ♣ **Still:** todavía.
- ♣ **Keep on = go on = continue.**
- ♣ **Meat:** carne.
- ♣ **Dairy:** productos lácteos.
  
- ♣ **Alive:** vivo/a.
- ♣ **Beyond:** más allá de.
- ♣ **Maybe:** quizás.
- ♣ **Spend:** pasar (tiempo).
  
- ♣ **Affect:** afectar.
  
- ♣ **Set ... down:** ponerme abajo.
- ♣ **On the ground:** en el suelo.
- ♣ **Parliament:** parlamento.
- ♣ **Sweden... Swedish:** Suecia ... sueco.

**No one is acting as if  
we were in a crisis  
Even most climate scientists  
or green politicians  
Keep on flying around the world  
eating meat ot dairy.**

**If I live to be one hundred,  
I will be alive in the year 2103.  
When you think about  
the future today,  
you don't think  
beyond the year 2050.  
By then, I will, in the best case,  
not even have lived half of my life.  
The year 2078, I will celebrate  
my 75th birthday.  
If I have children  
or grandchildren  
maybe they will spend  
that day with me;  
maybe they will ask  
why you didn't do anything  
while there still was  
time to act.**

**What we do or not do right now  
will affect our entire life  
and the lives of my children  
and grandchildren.  
What we do or not do right now  
me and my generation  
can't undo in the future.**

**So when school started  
in August this year  
I decided that this was enough.  
I set myself down on the ground  
Outside the Swedish parliament.  
I school striked for the climate.**

- ♣ **Save:** salvar.
- ♣ **Soon:** pronto.

- ♣ **Learn:** aprender.
- ♣ **Clearly:** claramente.
- ♣ **Mean:** significar.

- ♣ **Need:** necesitar.
- ♣ **Hope:** esperanza; esperar.
- ♣ **Pep-talking:** platicar.
- ♣ **Sell:** vender.
- ♣ **Instead of:** en vez de.
- ♣ **Look for:** buscar.

- ♣ **Once:** una vez
- ♣ **Everywhere:** en todas partes.

**Some people said that  
I should be in school instead.  
Why should I be studying for  
a future that soon will be no more?  
when no one is doing anything  
whatsoever to save that future?**

**And what is the point of learning  
facts in the school system  
when the most important facts  
given by the finest science  
of that same school system  
clearly means nothing  
to our politicians  
and our society?**

**Yes, we do need hope  
of course we do  
but the one thing we need  
more than hope is action.  
We've had 30 years  
of pep-talking  
and selling positive ideas.  
So instead of looking for hope,  
look for action.**

**Once we start to act,  
hope is everywhere.**



*Demo against climate change*