

# Unit 7 Language summary

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## Vocabulary

### Nouns

#### *World problems*

acid rain  
cancer  
drug trafficking  
e-waste  
extinction  
famine  
global warming  
government corruption  
(the) homeless  
inflation  
overcrowding  
overbuilding  
overpopulation  
political unrest  
pollution  
poverty  
unemployment

#### *The Earth*

air  
bacteria  
birds  
coral reef  
ecosystem  
fish  
lake  
land  
marine life  
ocean  
oil  
plant  
rain forest  
river  
soil  
wildlife

### Other

chemicals  
cyanide  
demonstration  
dependence  
destruction  
executive  
explosives  
factory  
farm(land)  
fumes  
growth  
health  
industry  
landfill  
law  
livestock  
management  
overuse  
petition  
(training) programs  
publicity  
recycling  
reduction  
run (a story)  
sanctuary  
shelter  
sit-in  
source  
(TV) station  
suburbs  
supply  
(heavy) traffic

### Adjectives

alarming  
free  
illegal  
innovative

major  
underground  
unemployed  
urban  
vocational  
wasteful

### Verbs

boycott  
conserve  
contaminate  
create  
deplete  
develop  
displace  
dispose (of)  
educate  
erode  
harm  
ignore  
improve  
pollute  
pump  
reduce  
threaten  
voice (= share/talk about)

### Adverbs

inevitably  
moreover  
outside

### Prepositions

against (the law)  
as a result of  
because of  
due to  
on (the street)

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## Expressions

### *Describing problems*

The ... are being ... by ...  
(The) ... is being ... because of/  
due to ...  
The ... have been ... through ...  
(The) ... has been ... as a  
result of ...

### *Offering solutions*

One thing to change things is to ...  
Another way to stop them is to ...  
The best way to help is to ...

### *Talking about what will happen*

What if ... ?  
Well, then ...

### *Identifying something*

What's the name of ... ?  
It's called ...