

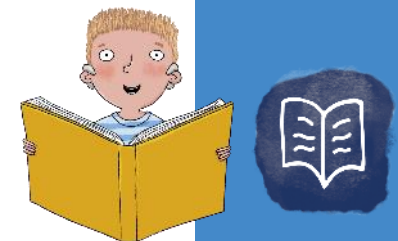
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Cutting down trees or destruction of forests is called **deforestation**.



A golden lion tamarin

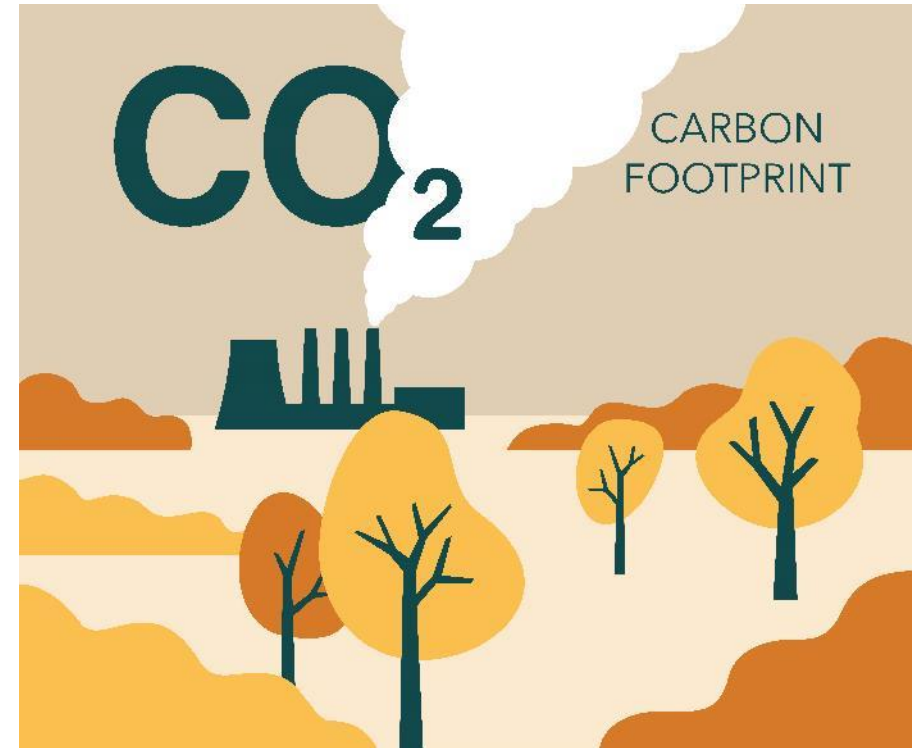


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Deforestation is an environmental change that has a negative effect on the environment.

Some of the negative effects include:

1. It increases the level of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, which then allows greenhouse gases to build up and add to global warming.



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2. It promotes drought, as higher levels of water are needed for growing livestock and crops (to provide food for the growing human population). As a result, the water used is removed from the natural water cycle.



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4. It can increase the risk of flooding, as trees are an essential part in absorbing excess ground water by sucking water up through their roots.

