

Participatory Exploration of Alternate Futures - COP26

Iteration 1: Adding your contribution to the seed text

Preparation

Before you start please switch off phone/email/music so you can focus on this study.

Thank you

* 1. Please provide your Prolific ID here, using cut-and paste

* 2. No personal data will be collected from participants in this study. However, responses to question 3 below may be made public in a research paper, blog, or presentation or the like. If so, this will be done in a way that prevents any identification of the source of the response.

Do you understand the above and consent to take part in this study?

Agree

Disagree

Instructions

Please read the seed text below and then add a following paragraph of text.

This paragraph should describe what you think *might happen next*, **sometime in the period between January and June 2022**, following the COP26 conference in 2021. You can Google that event, if it helps, this is not an exam :-)

The events you describe may take place anywhere in the world. The events may be political, economic, social, cultural, ecological, biological, physical, etc, and any combinations thereof...

Although the focus could be on events on any scale (individual, community, city, state, country), the events should be ones which you think have some possible relationship to the issue of climate change, - if not in that immediate period then perhaps in the future.

Writing style: Please write in the past tense, describing imagined future events as though you were someone in the future looking back at what had happened, as a part of a kind of documentary, or a biography.

Please limit yourself to 150 words at the most.

Seed text

In November the UK hosted the 26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26) in Glasgow, Scotland. The stated purpose was "UNITING THE WORLD TO TACKLE CLIMATE CHANGE". What follows below is are the stories of what happened over the next four years, in the lives of various countries, organisations, groups and individuals, in different parts of the world. Starting with events in the first six months of 2022...

* 3. Your description of what happened next, in the first six months of 2022.

Please bear in mind what is definitely not wanted:

1. Contributions that describe events that are manifestly not possible e.g. fantasy or science fiction.
2. Contributions which are obscene or which appear to be intentionally offensive to any religious, ethnic or other groups.
3. Contributions which encourage or do break the law in the USA or the UK
4. Contributions which are primarily intended to be humorous. This is a serious study, so please resist the temptation to entertain
5. Contributions which are thoughtless, random, casual or frivolous. We want your considered and imaginative thoughts

Contributions breaking these requirements will be rejected. Participants will then be given one opportunity to resubmit new content

Please also note: You may be contacted to make slight changes to your contributions, in order to resolve any apparent contradictions or ambiguities. These requests will be as few as possible.

What next?

After all participants have submitted their contributions via this Survey Monkey survey their contributions will be displayed [on this ParEvo website](#) This is for display purposes only - do not try to enter any new contributions there. All contributions shown there will be anonymous.

You will be contacted shortly afterwards, with instructions to take part in the next iteration, which will constitute a new study.

Please now click on *Done* to be directed back to the Prolific.co website and to have your work acknowledged