

ENVIRONMENT

nicht zuverlässig, unberechenbar	Solar energy is intermittent / unreliable .	ausstoßen	Some air fresheners emit dozens of toxic chemicals.
verunreinigen, verschmutzen	Freshwater lakes are increasingly contaminated by pesticides.	sich zersetzen	Chemical substances can decompose into its elements.
Kraftwerk	The government supported coal-fired power stations and wind power stations .	weltweite Erwärmung	Our research focuses on global warming and climate change.
Nahrungsmittelknappheit	The current world food shortage is directly linked to fuel, especially bio-fuel.	beeindruckt, eingeschüchtert sein von	We were awed by what he knew.
Verbrennung	Coal combustion produces a lot of greenhouse gases.	Ackerland	In China, arable land is shrinking fast.
Abfall, Müll	Depending on the type of material, waste can also be called rubbish, litter, garbage or junk .	Rohstoffvorkommen	Why do we deplete our natural resources and poison the atmosphere?
biologisch abbaubar	Biodegradable plastics are made from renewable resources.	fossiler Brennstoff	Burning any fossil fuel contributes to the greenhouse effect.
(sich) anpassen an	Man has learnt to adapt to his environment.	Kohlendioxid	Carbon dioxide can be found in air, but also in water.
wiederverwendbar / Wegwerf-	You should prefer reusable to disposable shopping bags.	schädlich	Are genetically modified foods harmful or helpful?
Umweltverschmutzung	Environmental pollution is increasingly attacking the earth's ecosphere.	Katalysator	The catalytic converter cleans gases passing through a car's exhaust systems.
vom Aussterben bedroht	How many plant species are threatened by extinction ?	Einbau	The fitting of stand-by switches should be banned.
durchdacht, vielschichtig	They presented a highly sophisticated solution.	Düngemittel, Dünger	"How much fertilizer should I spread on my lawn?"
Berichterstattung	I hate poorly rendered footage of disasters.	Bodenerosion,	Soil erosion / top soil loss is a major environmental problem all over the globe.
FCKWs	CFCs were developed for refrigeration and spray cans.	Dürreperiode, Trockenheit	Changes in the water cycle have caused floods and droughts .
		Glühbirne	Light bulbs are gradually replaced by light-emitting diodes (LED).
		biologischer Landbau	Organic farming has become a fast growing segment of agriculture.

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saurer Regen	<i>Environmentalists are very passionate about the effect of sour rain / acid rain on our forest.</i>	Abwasser	<i>Today all sewage or wastewater is disposed of by public sewage systems.</i>
ökologisch nachhaltig	<i>To make your consumer behaviour sustainable, you should only buy what you need.</i>	etwas loswerden	<i>Do you know how to get rid of bed bugs if you find them in your home?</i>
Müllabfuhr	<i>Almost every city runs a weekly rubbish collection service for households.</i>	energiesparend	<i>Always buy energy efficient / energy saving products!</i>
tiefgreifend	<i>Agriculture has changed profoundly in recent years.</i>	etwas entsorgen, beseitigen	<i>The best way to dispose of paint is to deliver it to a waste recycling centre.</i>
Unkrautvernichtungsmittel	<i>A herbicide is used to kill unwanted plants.</i>	mehr umweltfreundlich als	<i>A compost heap is environmentally superior to other forms of garbage disposal.</i>
schädliche Abgase	<i>Can noxious fumes be given off a gas oven?</i>	Vorbedingung	<i>Being well-off is not a precondition for an ecological life-style.</i>
Mülldeponie, Müllabladeplatz	<i>A tortoise which climbed into a rubbish bin was found alive at a landfill site / rubbish dump / waste disposal site / rubbish dip.</i>	Biogas-Erzeugungsanlage	<i>We offer an anaerobic digester for producing methane gas from waste biomass.</i>
roden	<i>Burn down individual trees, but do not denude the forest.</i>	Kleidung, Klamotten	<i>Trendy gear / apparel often has a negative impact on the environment.</i>
CO ₂ -frei	<i>This environmental initiative will help you to go carbon free.</i>	Mais	<i>The environmental benefits of maize biofuel are uncertain. (amerikanisch: corn)</i>
Feldfrucht	<i>How are genetically modified crops different from conventional crops?</i>	Treibhauseffekt	<i>The greenhouse effect was first discovered by J. Fourier in 1824.</i>
schädliche Auswirkung	<i>Floods and droughts are having a detrimental effect on ecology.</i>	(Müll) ablagern, abladen	<i>It's disappointing that many people continue to dump rubbish in the forest.</i>
Nachhaltigkeit	<i>To attain sustainability we must reduce our impact on the environment.</i>	genmanipuliert	<i>G.M. means the same as genetically manipulated.</i>
Niederschläge	<i>Researchers estimate that precipitation across the globe may change.</i>	Widerstand(skraft) gegen	<i>Man's resistance to infectious diseases is clearly deteriorating.</i>
eine Bedrohung darstellen	<i>Our modern lifestyle poses a threat to the environment.</i>	ökologischer Fußabdruck (= Einfluss jedes einzelnen auf die Umwelt)	<i>On the internet you find carbon footprint calculators to measure your impact on our climate.</i>
sich ausbreiten	<i>Deserts are expanding at an alarming rate.</i>	Müllverbrennung	<i>What are the health risks of waste incineration?</i>
Mülltrennung	<i>Initially waste separation was started to process household waste.</i>		

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Raps	<i>In Germany rape seed oil is free of taxes.</i>	Ölersatz	<i>Biomass is the oil replacement of the future.</i>
verbrennen	<i>If our waste is not incinerated, it ends up in landfill sites.</i>	Schädlingsbekämpfungsmittel	<i>Biologically-based pesticides are safer than traditional pesticides.</i>
Abfallentsorgung	<i>These methods of waste disposal release air greenhouse gases into the atmosphere.</i>	Energieeinsparung	<i>Energy conservation should be among everyone's main priorities.</i>
verwüsten, verheeren	<i>Nuclear accidents can devastate huge areas.</i>	schädlingsresistente Anbaufrüchte	<i>Pest-resistant crops are often genetically modified.</i>
versprechen	<i>A pledged reduction in CO₂ levels is likely to be missed.</i>	erneuerbare Energie	<i>Geothermal energy belongs to the renewable forms of energy or the so-called renewables.</i>
mit sich bringen	<i>Climate change involves huge risks and dangers for all of us.</i>	sich zurückhalten	<i>Many Catholics abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday.</i>
Gen-Nahrung	<i>Are there any adverse effects of genetically modified food (= GM food)?</i>	Hungersnot	<i>During the 1959/61 famine in China millions starved to death.</i>
einer Sache ausgesetzt sein	<i>We are exposed to natural and to man-made radiation.</i>	(be-) hindern	<i>To hamper means the same as to hinder.</i>
ungenutzt, nicht nutzbar gemacht	<i>This is a project on untapped energy from garbage incineration.</i>	Ernteertrag	<i>Applying fertilizer can double crop yields.</i>
schützen vor	<i>Healthy eating will help protect us from cancer and other diseases.</i>	Waldsterben	<i>In that region a forest blight has occurred due to global warming.</i>
Schädlingsbekämpfungsmittel	<i>Biologically-based pesticides are safer than traditional pesticides.</i>		
Schadstoff	<i>This newly detected pollutant is as damaging as cigarette smoke.</i>		
biologisch hergestellter Kraftstoff	<i>Biofuels have caused a food crisis by forcing global food prices up by 75%.</i>		
Abwasser	<i>The run-off / sewage from these chemicals contaminates our groundwater.</i>		
Überweidung	<i>Overgrazing of pastures is a serious problem of modern agriculture.</i>		