

GET LOUD!

-PREPERATION MATERIAL / VORBEREITUNGSMATERIAL -

Hi there!

Welcome to the preparation pages for the show 'GET LOUD'.
The play is about two 11-year-old friends, Clara and Ben.
They go to an English-speaking international school in Berlin.
What do you think the play is about? Keep reading and find out!

See you soon!
Platypus Theater

1. What´s it all about?

4 Themes in the story:

FRIENDSHIP	Freundschaft
CLIMATE CHANGE	Klimawandel
POWER & RESPONSIBILITY	Macht & Verantwortung – wer hat die Macht zu Entscheiden oder zu helfen und wer hat die Verantwortung was zu unternehmen?

The story:

Ben likes Clara because she is courageous*.
She thinks the environment* is very important. Clara goes to climate change demonstrations. One day, Ben goes with Clara to a big climate change demonstration. But Ben and Clara should be in school. They get into trouble for not going to school and have to stay back after school (They have detention- müssen nachsitzen). Clara is frustrated* because politicians are talking and talking and not changing things fast enough. Clara and Ben decide to break into a climate change conference to tell politicians to *do* something. Not just talk about it. Suddenly Clara is famous. She becomes an influencer and has no time for Ben anymore. Their friendship is in danger…

**mutig* **Umwelt* **frustriert*

2. Vocabulary

to break in	einbrechen
to burn (e.g. coal, gas)	verbrennen
carbon emissions	CO2 Ausstoß
climate conference	die Klimakonferenz
to crash a conference	eine Konferenz zu stürmen
to destroy	zerstören
dumb	dumm
eco warriors	Öko-Krieger

an emergency	ein Notfall
the environment	die Umwelt
to finish something	etwas beenden
to fix something	etwas reparieren/wieder gut machen
to get distracted	abgelenkt werden
to hang out with someone	mit jmd. abhängen
to ignore/ be ignored	ignorieren, ignoriert werden
to invite someone (to something)	jemanden einladen
naughty	unartig, böse
packaging	Verpackung
politician	Politiker*in
to pollute, pollution	verschmutzen, Verschmutzung,
your voice	deine Stimme
pressure	Druck
to protest	protestieren
to punish (someone)	jmd. bestrafen
rainforest	Regenwald
responsibility	Verantwortung
risky	riskant
scientist	Wissenschaftler*in
serious	ernst
I should /shouldn't	ich sollte, sollte nicht
to shut up	den Mund halten
to skip school	Blau machen
the system	das System
to tell the truth	die Wahrheit sagen
to unbox something	etw. auspacken

3. Climate Change

1) Get into groups of four people.
   What do the words “climate change” mean?

2) Quiz question:

What happens because of global warming? Mark the right answers

A) sea levels rise
B) there is more drinking water
C) mountain glaciers shrink, get smaller
D) people don’t get cold anymore
E) ice melts at a faster rate than usual in Greenland, Antarctica and the Arctic

4. Does global warming affect your life? How?

Activity 1: Write down on the whiteboard how global warming affects your life or could affect your life? Either in group or take turns writing them down.

Activity 2: Decide on an slogan in English about climate change with your class. Make a protest sign. Bring it with you to the play.

Activity 3: What are small things we can do to slow down global warming?



Split into groups of four. Invent a scene and perform it in the classroom. For example: a family situation related to climate change, e. g. saving electricity, someone in your family wanting to be vegetarian, using bicycles, buses and trains instead of driving the car.

5. Group discussions: Politics

How can children tell politicians what they think?

If you want to change things in your school what do you?

Why is important to change things?

What do you want to tell politicians?

6. Scene from the show

You can read in a groups or as a class. One person reads **Clara**, one person reads **Ben**, one person reads the **stage instruction**s *(kursive Texte)* and can make sound effects (phone ringing).

Clara is filming a short video for her followers. She has a big box in front of her with another box inside and lots of paper packaging. Clara's phone rings. She looks at it. She does not answer the call.

Clara Hello, my Eco Warriors! Clara here. *She starts again.*

Clara Hello, my Eco Warriors! Clara here. *She deletes it the clip and tries again.*

Clara Hello, my Eco Warriors! Clara here. Today, I thought I would do an unboxing video. So, let's get to it! *She opens the box.*

Clara It's … another box!

She put her hand inside.

Clara Let's see what's inside. It's … another box! Let's see what's inside. It's … another box!

Ben enters. He is has his ukulele. He looks at Clara. She doesn't see him.

Clara Let's see what's inside. It's … another box! Let's see what's inside! It's … a green paper— *She sees Ben*

Clara Ben! What are you doing?

Ben Hello.

Clara Oh no, that clip is ruined. *Clara sets up the box again.*

Ben Um … Hi. So I'm not sure if you listened to my voice messages. I've been doing a lot of reading on climate change. I wrote a protest song.

Ben starts playing his ukulele.

Clara Move out of the way. You are on the screen.

Ben stops playing. He takes a step to the side.

Clara Hello, my Eco Warriors. Clara here. Let's do an unboxing.

She opens the box.

Clara What's inside? Another box. Another box. Another box.

Ben steps into the frame.

Clara Ben!

Ben What are you doing?

Clara What does it look like? I'm trying to save the planet.

Ben How?

Clara It's for one of my sponsors. They're a really good company. Very green.

Ben But … this is so much packaging.

Clara So much green packaging.

Ben Okay. So, anyway, I'm really proud of this.

He plays his Ukulele again. Clara pushes Ben out of frame.

Clara Move. I can't, just—not right now. Hello, my Eco Warriors! Clara here. Let's do some unboxing.

She takes off the first box.

Clara What's inside? It's another box.

Ben picks up the box.

Ben This doesn't look green.

Clara Ben! Put that back!

Ben I can't! We are on a solar-powered train and it's leaving the station! Hop on board!

Ben starts to pretend he's on a train.

Clara Stop being a child!

Ben let's go of the box.

Clara This is my job right now. It's important. I'm helping people learn about green companies.

Ben Clara … I think they are using you.

Clara What?!

Ben Look at all this mess.

Clara For every box they make, they donate* two cents to planting trees.

Ben Well that's good. Because making these boxes must have used a whole forest.

Clara If you came here to make fun of me you can leave.

Ben I wasn't. I was just … Are you okay?

Clara Yes. I'm just … busy. Trying to save the world.

- - *donate means – spenden

Do you think Clara is going to save the world?

See you at the show! Team Platypus