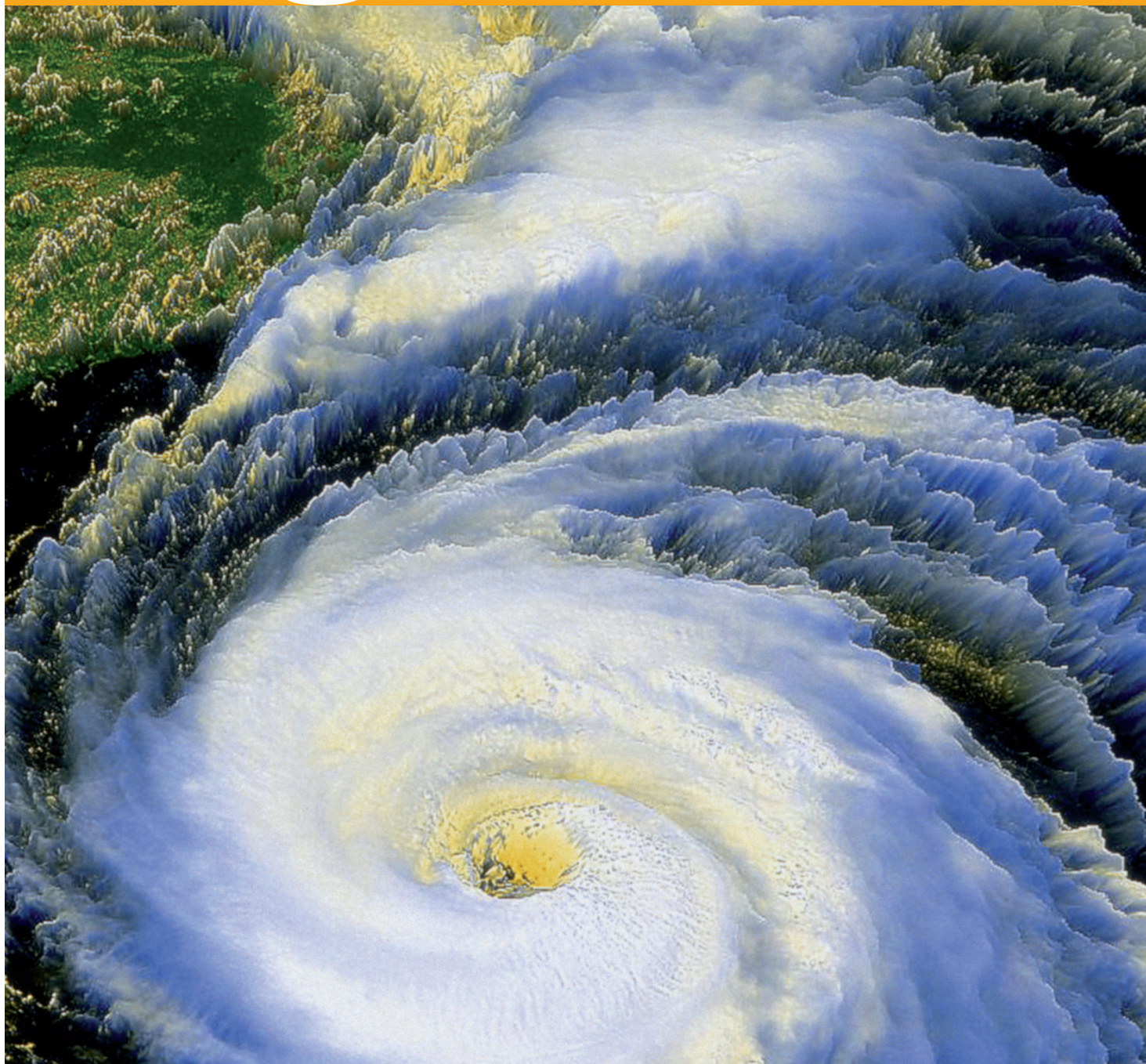


UNIT **6** *Read and Write*



En esta unidad vas a:

- leer un artículo sobre el cambio climático
- aprender a escribir en inglés utilizando *for example, such as* y *like*.

A CHANGING WORLD

What's happening to the world's climate? Scientists say that the world is changing. A lot of them say that we are going to destroy the planet if we don't change our lifestyles. They say we should reduce the amount of electricity and natural resources we use. However, some experts say that the changes to the world's climate are a natural process. Who is right?

A recent report gives some very bad news about the future. It says that climate change is bad for the economy. For example, the report says that summers are going to be very hot and tourists are going to stop going to countries like Spain, Greece and Portugal. The report also says that winters are going to be warm which will affect the skiing industry in a lot of countries. Other industries such as agriculture are going to have difficulties because there are going to be water problems in the Mediterranean countries and central Europe. The conclusion of the report is that we need to change our lifestyles now.

However, some scientists say that we don't need to change our lifestyles and that the planet's temperatures always go up and down. They say that people in countries like China, India and Kenya also want to have modern lifestyles. If they buy a lot of modern objects such as fridges and televisions they are going to use more and more fossil fuels and electricity. Their reports say that climate change is a natural process and that the world economy is going to have problems if we change our lifestyles now.

Who is right? It's only a question of time before we know the answer. ■



1 Elige el mejor resumen del texto.


A The climate is changing because people in countries like China, India and Kenya are buying fridges and televisions. They are using more fossil fuels and this is bad for tourism in Spain, Greece and Portugal.

B There are two opinions about changes to the climate. Some scientists say that the changes in the planet's temperature are because of our modern lifestyles. Other experts say these changes are natural. At the moment we can't say which theory is correct.

C Some scientists say we are destroying the planet. Other scientists say it's a natural process. However, it is clear that the changes are because we are using more and more fossil fuels and electricity. It's the only explanation.

2 Relaciona las palabras subrayadas de las frases (1-5) con su referente (a-e). Todas las frases vienen en el texto.

- 1 A lot of them say that we are going to destroy the planet ...
- 2 It says that climate change is bad for the economy.
- 3 They say that people in countries like China, India and Kenya also want to have modern lifestyles.
- 4 If they buy a lot of modern objects such as fridges and televisions ...
- 5 ... if we change our lifestyles now.

- a people with a modern lifestyle
- b the people in China, India and Kenya
- c scientists
- d a recent report
- e some scientists

1 c **2** ____ **3** ____ **4** ____ **5** ____

Words to remember
3 Escribe junto a cada definición la palabra del texto que le corresponda.


People that study the physical world and how it works (paragraph 1). **scientists**

- 1 The way people live, the things they possess etc (paragraph 1). ____
- 2 People that know a lot about a subject (paragraph 1). ____
- 3 People that visit a place on holiday (paragraph 2). ____
- 4 Groups of companies that make the same things, often in factories (paragraph 2). ____
- 5 The work people do on farms (paragraph 2). ____

4 Completa las frases con las palabras del ejercicio 3.

The music **industry** is losing a lot of money because of the Internet.

- 1 He's an _____ in computers but he hasn't got any idea in the kitchen!
- 2 If you work in _____ you get up at 5 a.m!
- 3 When I go to another country I'm not a _____, I'm a traveller!
- 4 He's got the _____ of a film star. He's very rich.
- 5 My dad's a _____ but he isn't in a laboratory all day.

Giving examples

For example (por ejemplo) se utiliza para introducir una nueva información que ejemplifica lo que se acaba de decir o escribir. Siempre debe ir seguido de una coma, y el ejemplo en sí puede ser un sustantivo o una oración completa.

It says that climate change is bad for the economy. For example, the report says summers are going to be very hot.

Dice que el cambio climático es perjudicial para la economía. Por ejemplo, el informe afirma que los veranos van a ser muy calurosos.

En textos escritos, *for example* se suele abreviar utilizando *e.g.* (p. ej. o por ej.):

Other industries, e.g. agriculture, are going to have problems.

Otras industrias, p. ej. la agricultura, van a tener problemas.

Such as (como, tales como) y *like* (como) solo se utilizan cuando el ejemplo que se introduce es uno o varios sustantivos.

Other industries, such as agriculture, are going to have problems.

Otras industrias, como la agricultura, van a tener problemas.

Tourists are going to stop going to countries like Spain, Greece and Portugal.

Los turistas van a dejar de visitar países como España, Grecia y Portugal.

¡OJO! *As* (como) no se utiliza para dar ejemplos.

I enjoy Spanish food such as paella.

I enjoy Spanish food as paella.

Me gusta la comida española, como la paella.

I enjoy Spanish food like paella.

I enjoy Spanish food as paella.

Me gusta la comida española, como la paella.

1 Corrige los errores y vuelve a escribir las frases.

- 1 We can use other types of transport. Such as, we can take the underground.

- 2 Some winter industries, as skiing, are having problems.

- 3 He eats a lot of fruit such like oranges and apples.

- 4 Modern communication systems are not very private. For example millions of people can access the Internet.

- 5 These changes are happening to countries such India and China.

- 6 Tourists enjoy visiting places like, the Costa Brava.

2 Completa el párrafo con una palabra en cada espacio.

We can all help the planet. There are lots of things you can do. For **1** _____, when you go shopping take a bag. Don't use plastic bags from the supermarket. Buy things **2** _____ as fruit and vegetables that are not in packets. Don't buy things **3** _____ biscuits and cakes from a supermarket in plastic packets. Buy them from a shop such **4** _____ a bakery. And don't buy prepared meals from the supermarket. You can cook simple dishes **5** _____ soup or pasta instead.

