

Video Transcript

Tree planting Challenge

Sarah: Rick? Rick! Rick: Do I know you?

Sarah: You don't? Come on, we take the same bus to school each morning!

Rick: Okay?

Sarah: Anyway. My name's Sarah and...

Rick: Nice to meet you?

Sarah: Yeah, nice to meet you too. Listen, I'm the head of the tree planting club at this school

and Mr. Green, our biology teacher, is helping us...

Rick: Oh, not this again. Sarah: What do you mean?

Rick: He has already talked to me about it.

Sarah: Oh good! So, would you like to join us next weekend for our 500 planted trees

challenge?

Rick: Why should I? I mean, I don't see the point and...

Sarah: Well, firstly, you will help the environment. With more trees, there will be more oxygen -you need oxygen too, right? Everybody does. Secondly, trees pull in carbon dioxide which is the main greenhouse gas. Greenhouse gases cause global warming and climate change and that threatens you too. Also, we will have lots of fun there. We always do. And finally, everybody who joins us will get a reusable shopping bag made from recycled plastic bottles.

Rick: A shopping bag! I'll waste my entire weekend and I'll get a shopping bag, woo-hoo!

Sarah: Are you serious? There's so much more! If you join us, you will make friends for life. Things won't make you happy, time spent with your friends will! I think you should give it a try. Come on! You're going to love it! You really are because ...

Rick: I'll be honest with you, Sarah. I don't care much about the environment. I'm one of billions. I can't change anything! If you think you can, it's your choice, whatever. I'll tell you what I'm going to do this weekend, okay? I'm going to stay at home and play my games. Why? Because I want to. And because I can. There's a tournament this Saturday and I'm the best player in my league so I'm pretty sure I'll win the main prize which is a new gaming chair - sounds better than a recycled shopping bag, don't you think? So, I'm sorry, ...Sarah, but you will need to find someone else. Good luck with it. Have fun! See you on Monday. Or never. I don't care. Planting trees. Like seriously. Ugh...

Rick's place - next weekend



Rick's mom: Rick, turn on the TV on! Hurry up! You're going to miss it! ... Isn't this your teacher,

Mr. Green?

Rick: Mom! Can't you see I'm busy?

Rick's mom: But it's the children from your school, look!

Rick: What?

TV newsperson: Local girl, Sarah Johnson, has made a discovery of a lifetime today. When planting trees as a volunteer, she found a chest full of old golden coins. Local law says she can keep the whole treasure so... we would like to ask you, Sarah, what are you going to do with so much money?

Sarah: I really don't know. I'm still completely shocked. Ahm, but I think I will take every member of our tree planting club on a trip around the world, and we will then decide which place needs the money most and we will donate it to a local school or, I don't know, or to an organization protecting rainforests, you know, something like that! We will go to Brazil, India, Indonesia, minimizing our carbon footprint of course! ... We will have fun and do the right thing for our planet at the same time and...

Rick's mom: Lucky kids. They deserve it.