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Writing a letter to the editor

Dear editor,

I would like to express my opinion about the pollution problems in Hong Kong. As we know, pollution problems have been worsening alarmingly. We should do something to protect the environment and save the Earth.

As a matter of fact, Hong Kong people have been facing different kinds of pollution problems. The biggest ones are air pollution and land pollution. Regarding air pollution, it is mainly caused by our desire for a convenient and comfortable life. Indeed, many people would rather go somewhere in their own car instead of using public transport. Consequently, there are too many vehicles on the street, and this leads to air pollution. In particular, the idling engines of vehicles make our air quality deteriorate. Also, factories release harmful gases to the environment which damage our health.

As for the land pollution in Hong Kong, the biggest culprits are food waste and plastic bags. When we finish our cooking, we always produce much food waste. It would then be sent to a landfill. It is not only smelly, but also affects the health of Hong Kong people. When there is too much untreated food waste in our environment, we may suffer from illnesses such as chest pain and asthma more easily. Also, still many people do not bring their own shopping bag when shopping, therefore they need to buy plastic bags and this intensifies the saturation problem of the landfills in Hong Kong.

I think the government need to make a law to punish the people who are responsible for untreated food waste or using plastic bags. There should also be more recycling bins for waste separation in Hong Kong. As a student, I can go to school by taking a bus or using another means of public transport.

To conclude, the Earth is facing different kinds of environmental problems, so we must take action to protect our Earth. Remember, "Earth is our home! Please don't hesitate!"

Yours faithfully,

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