



## 2021 LICA Writing Contest Prompt

### Section II: Functional Writing *(Suggested time—40 minutes)*

Read the situation below and complete the assignment that follows.

#### The Situation

Your name is Alex Planter and you attend Lakeside Elementary School. Last month, the Canadian government released new targets and a plan to reduce climate change. The Prime Minister has written a letter to all the schools in Canada asking young people for their opinion on how to meet these targets. Your teacher showed your class some videos about climate change to give you information for your response letter.

#### Assignment

Watch the videos linked below. Write a letter back to the Prime Minister that explains which issue you believe is most important to reduce climate change.

When writing your news article, **be sure to**

- **include a paragraph** explaining why the issue you picked is the most important
- **use** a style of writing appropriate for a formal letter
- **respond** to the questions asked by the Prime Minister

#### Videos:

- Climate Change (According to a Kid): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sv7OHfpIRfU>
- Transportation 101: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c4iVCJ00BYA>
- Food Wastage Footprint: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=loCVrkcaH6Q>
- Plastic is Accelerating the Climate Crisis: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lgSBzfa-eKk>
- Renewable Energy 101 | National Geographic: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1kUE0BZtTRc>

**You do not have to include all the information provided in the videos.**

**You may include additional appropriate information you find in your own research.**

