How to talk about climate when growing and cooking





#### SESSION OUTLINE:

- Icebreaker activity
- Diamond 9
- Key terms, knowledge and beliefs
- Activities to share
- Summary and questions
- Diamond 9
- Evaluation

#### OUTCOME

At the end of this session we hope you will:

- Have a greater understanding of how both cooking and growing food are positive climate actions
- Have more confidence in bringing in climate activities and discussion topics to your groups

### ICEBREAKER!



## DIAMOND 9

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#### KEY TERMS

Seasonality - what is available (locally) at what times of year

Carbon footprint - how much carbon is produced from seed to mouth

Food miles - how many miles an item of food has travelled to be on your plate

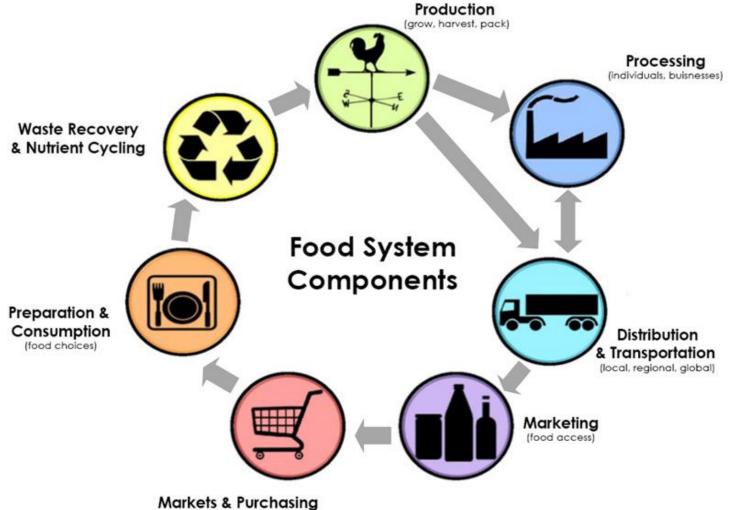
Agroecology - a regenerative and ecologically friendly way of growing food

Organic - growing without the use of artificial pesticides, fertilisers. GMOs

**Biodiversity** - the spread of different types of species (plant, animal, insect, fungal) in an area

**Industrial farming** - Modern practice of intensively growing/rearing food as quickly and profitably as possible

**Food system** - everything from growing, packaging, processing, transporting, buying, cooking and food waste



(food access)

# **70%**Land area of UK used for farming

30%

UK greenhouse gas emissions arise from the food system

30%

Food we produce globally goes to landfill

#### UNDERPINNING BELIEFS

#### 1 - Growing food is a climate action

- Reduces food miles
- Reduces emissions
- Agroecology increases biodiversity and environmental repair
- Places less emphasis on industrially farmed foods and monocultures

#### 2 - Cooking food is a climate action

- Reduces processing energies
- Allows for seasonal foods
- Reduces food waste

Going outside

Selecting plants/seeds

Digging

Watering

Picking and Harvesting

Before

During

**After** 

Sourcing food

Cooking food

Eating food

Disposing of food

#### BEFORE

Selecting plants/seeds

Activity: What grows near us?

Look at what grows in Glasgow, Scotland, UK, Europe. Create a map of things grown in the area OR look at supermarket fruit and veg packaging and map where everything is grown.

https://www.glasgowecotrust.org.uk/glasgow-green-map

Food miles calculator: <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-46459714">https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-46459714</a>

#### **After**

Going outside

#### **Activity: How have things changed?**

How does what you see differ to what the adults in your family would have seen? What about their parents?

Look at old maps/photos of the area, collect stories from community members, compare then and now.





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## QUESTIONS?

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