**Actuele lesbrief Engels – Coldplay**

**Voor de docent**

Coldplay, de grootste band ter wereld, wil meer rekening gaan houden met het milieu.

**ERK-niveau**

*Lezen B2 – Lezen om informatie op te doen: LEB2-3a Kan artikelen en verslagen over hedendaagse problemen begrijpen, waarin de schrijvers bepaalde stellingen of standpunten innemen. (LEB2-3a)*

Leesstrategieën – *Kan gebruikmaken van uiteenlopende strategieën om tot tekstbegrip te komen, waaronder het letten op hoofdpunten.* – *Kan van minder frequente woorden en uitdrukkingen de betekenis controleren door gebruik te maken van websites, (online) fora en eentalige woordenboeken.*

**Intro**

Coldplay hit the news with their statement regarding environmentally beneficial concerts.

Assignment 1

For this assignment you may use a dictionary or English-language Internet sources to help you.

a List activities that could harm the environment.

b List activities that could be good for the environment.

*Coldplay to pause touring until concerts are 'environmentally beneficial'*

The reading text for this assignment can be found [here](https://www.bbc.com/news/entertainment-arts-50490700).

Assignment 2

For each definition, find the word or expression it describes in the text and write it down.

1. relating to the air, water, and land in or on which people, animals, and plants live
2. the lead singer or leader of a musical group
3. involving methods that do not completely use up or destroy natural resources
4. helpful, useful and good
5. live concerts
6. to send out a programme on television or radio
7. one of the seven large masses of land on the surface of the earth
8. a plan or program that is intended to solve a problem
9. actors, musicians, dancers, etc.
10. to take action when it is needed
11. a building with glass walls and a glass roof with a warm atmosphere
12. amounts of gas, heat, light, etc. that is send out
13. the place where an event happens
14. to give something and be given something else instead
15. a structure that holds the lights for a stage

Assignment 3

a What are ‘environmentally beneficial’ concerts?

1 Concerts by artists who all their money to environmental charities.

2 Concerts for people who travel without flying.

3 Concerts organised in a way that they help the environment.

4 Concerts producing no greenhouse emissions at all.

b Which aspect of international music tours is most damaging for the environment?

1 Throwing All the plastic cups and bags that visitors throw away.

2 Cleaning up and restoring the concert area afterwards.

3 The electricity used for lighting and sound.

4 The travelling of all the fans that visit the shows.

c Select all the things people in the music industry are already doing to become more sustainable.

1 Donating to an environmental charity.

2 Donating to plant trees instead of selling merchandise.

3 Joining climate marches.

4 Recycling guitar strings.

5 Travelling around the world.

6 Using LEDs instead of spotlights.

7 Using solar power only.