

Good Morning everybody.

My name is And I am a member of the Green School Committee. You are all very welcome here today to join the celebrations for our sixth Green Flag which was awarded for Global Citizenship.

The other members of the committee will be telling you what we did to receive this flag. It is very interesting and we hope you enjoy it.

My name is I am also a member of the Green School Committee. Two years ago we started working on our Green Flag for Global Citizenship. In the beginning we weren't too sure what it meant exactly. After consulting with the dictionaries, asking our teachers and parents and consulting with Google we found out that a citizen is a person who belongs to a town, city or country and global means worldwide. We then realized that we are all citizens and that we live in the world so therefore we are all Global Citizens.

Throughout the two years we carried out many projects and the big fact we learned was we cannot survive on our own we need many many people from all over the world to help us to live every day. We also learned that if we don't help people ourselves then the world may not continue to exist as we know it.

My name is..... I if you look at our motto for Global Citizenship. It says "Before you have finished your breakfast this morning you will have depended on half the world". This was written by Martin Luther King who was a great campaigner for civil rights.

If you think for a minute of what you may eat for your breakfast. Many people have cereal, toast, tea or coffee. The list is endless but at some stage everybody uses a spoon to eat or stir their tea. How did that spoon get to your table?

Most spoons are made of stainless steel and have to be manufactured. The steel has to be mined or produced. To do this the mine has to be excavated which involves many workers and lots of machinery which had to be produced from a factory perhaps in a different country. All the workers must travel to work on foot wearing comfortable shoes for walking which were made in a different factory possibly in another country. These workers may cycle their bikes wearing their helmets, rain jackets, hi viz jackets and have lights all of which were produced in another country. These workers may have driven cars, got on the bus or train. The fuel for all of these modes of transport again comes from another country.

My name is.....Getting back to the spoon. Once the steel has been mined it has to be heated and treated. How is it heated? Who does this? How many people does it take to do this?

How is it treated? How is this done? Who does this? How many people does it take to do this?

Once the steel is produced it is then poured and moulded into spoon shapes. Now ask yourself... How is this done? Where is it done? How many people are needed to do this job? Where does the power for the factory come from?

My name is..... Now the spoon is made. They don't want to keep them in the factories so they are transported to warehouses all over the world by truck, train, ship and plane. Same questions .Who does this? How many people are involved? Where does the fuel for the transport come from? Who made the cars, trains, ships planes, roads, airports, railway tracks? The list goes on and on.

Finally the spoon reaches its destination. It is stored for a while until it is sold. Ask yourself where is it stored? How many people work at the storage plant? Do they need power to keep the spoon safe while it is being stored?

My name is..... The spoon is then transferred to the shops where we buy them. How are they transported to the shops? Are they packaged? Who made the packages? How did they make the packages?

You go to the shop and you buy the spoon. How did you get to the shop? Where did you get the money to buy the spoon? Who made the money? Who made the purse you have the money in or the clothes you are wearing that has the money in its pocket?

My name is..... You are finally home with your spoon. Time for a nice cup of tea and you can stir it with your new shiny spoon. Wait now,,,,, Who made the cup? How did they make it/ Where did they make it? Who produced the tea? Who made the chair you are sitting on? Where did they get the wood from? Who built the house or apartment or hotel you are living in? How was the sugar made that you will put in your tea? Where did the milk come from?

My name is..... You can have your tea now and make sure you give it a big stir with your shiny spoon.

We are not too sure how many people were involved in the making of the little spoon. We had to give up counting.

This is an example of how we are global citizens and how we need the rest of the world to survive. Unfortunately we do not always treat the world with the respect that is due to it. As global citizens we are trying to improve ourselves and help out in the world,

To become Global Citizens we had to revisit all our previous green flags. We will now tell you what we did so you can be reminded of how we are working to help globally.