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### Exercise 1:

1. **With** the world population **growing**, we will need more food, water and energy.
2. **Instead of going** by car, you should take the bus or ride your bike for short distances.
3. **After watching** a documentary about intensive **livestock farming**, I decided to carefully choose the meat I buy.
4. **Not being** aware of the dangers of plastic, a lot of people use new plastic bags every time they shop.
5. **By buying** **seasonal food**, you can help to reduce transportation and even save money.
6. **In spite of already having** perfectly functioning mobiles, a lot of people always buy the latest mobile model.
7. The new **'sharing economy'** enables people to share things with one another, **thus reducing** unnecessary **consumption**.
8. **Being a clever person**, you should follow this new trend of sharing things.

### Exercise 2a)

1. If conventional **crops** cannot grow in dry and hot countries, GM crop plants, which are less **susceptible** to drought, **will help** to solve **food shortage** problems. (=probable)
  2. If the DNA of a plant or animal **is** manipulated by scientists, the products have to be labelled "genetically modified". (= always true)
  3. If salmon were genetically modified, each fish **would grow** in half the time necessary for a normal fish. (= possible)
  4. If GM plants **are** naturally **insect-resistant**, no poisonous **pesticide** spraying is necessary in the fields where they are grown. (= always true)
  5. If **herbicide-resistant** GM crops cross-bred with other plants, weeds **would become** difficult to remove. (= possible)
  6. If the US government had agreed in 2012 to allow GM salmon to be sold, the decision **would have affected** international trade. (= no longer possible)
1. A (are supposed to), 2. B (can), 3. A (may), 4. B (could), 5. C (ought to), 6. C (could), 7. B (mustn't), 8. B (can), 9. C (should), 10. A (had)

**Global summits** **are supposed to** (1) find solutions for global problems. However, the outcome of the global climate conferences of the past years **can** (2) be described as rather **mediocre**. The agreements may (3) sound **ambitious** – cutting CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and thus reducing global warming to two degrees – yet there is no evidence that these targets **could** (4) actually be fulfilled. In fact, politicians **ought to** (5) have done more **to tackle** this problem. According to experts, a temperature rise that **could** (6) cause serious and **irreversible** damage to our civilisation is now practically **inevitable**. However, we **mustn't** (7) forget that we **can** (8) all make a difference. Do you think we **should** (9) **preserve endangered** animals and plants? Then you **had** (10) better stop complaining and start reducing your carbon footprint right now!