

EXERCISE 9 - GREEN TRANSFORMATION OF THE UGLIEST NEIGHBORHOOD IN YOUR AREA

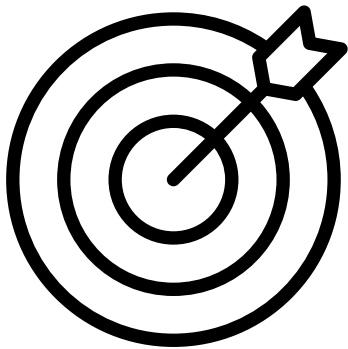


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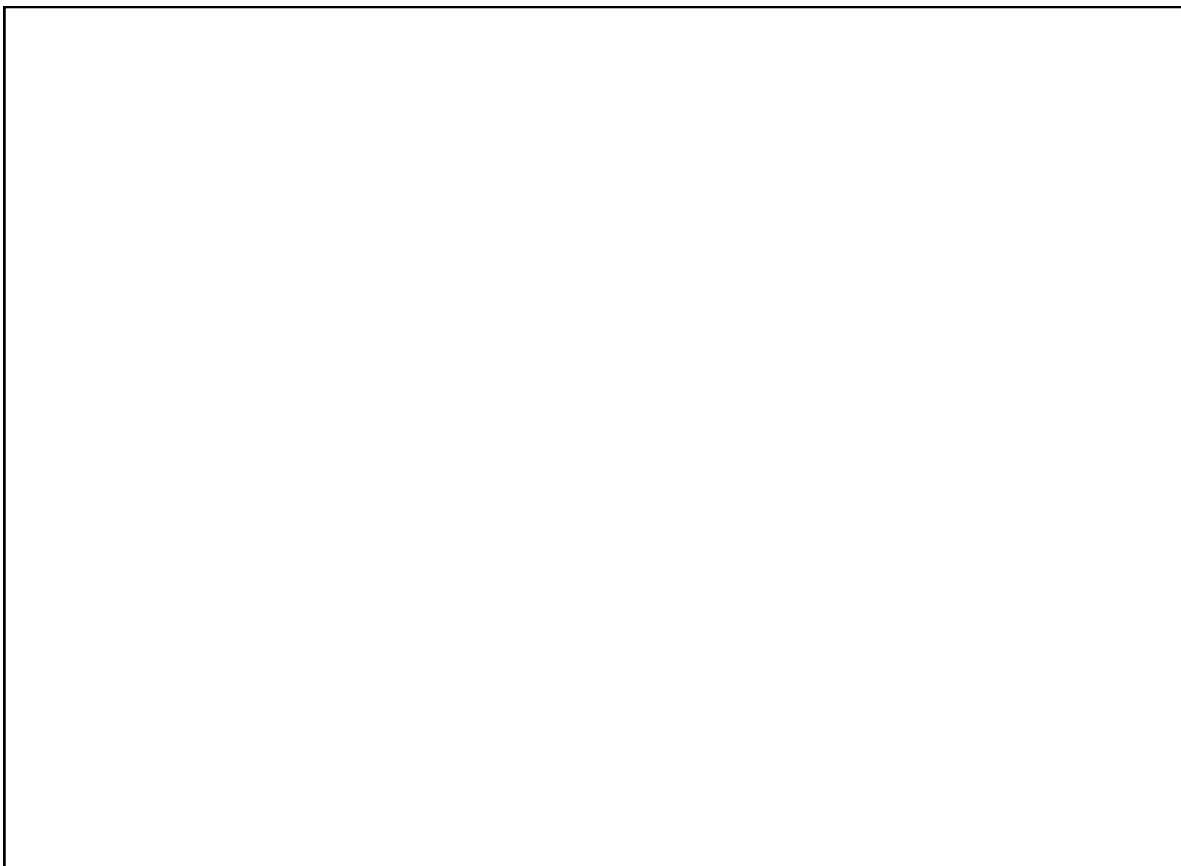




Goal of the exercise

This task aims to engage young people in transforming their immediate surroundings, even in the least attractive neighborhoods, by fostering creativity and green skills. The exercise will help you understand how eco-friendly solutions can positively impact the aesthetics and functionality of neglected urban spaces.

Select the ugliest neighborhood or most neglected area in your vicinity. This could be a bare housing complex without greenery, a concrete square, or an abandoned lot filled with trash. Ideally, it should be a place in need of renewal and transformation.



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Consider ways to creatively improve the appearance and functionality of this space by applying the following principles:

- ➔ **Green Plantings** – Add plants and trees to bring nature into the space. Think about planting low shrubs, perennials, or small, easy-to-maintain trees.
- ➔ **Eco-Friendly Benches and Furniture** – Instead of traditional benches, design seating made from recycled materials like old pallets, wooden crates, or metal pieces.
- ➔ **Eco Mural** – Brighten up concrete walls by creating artistic murals that promote sustainability and eco-friendly lifestyles.
- ➔ **Urban Gardens** – Organize a community garden where residents can grow vegetables and flowers together, encouraging interaction and improving the neighborhood's aesthetics.

Develop a transformation plan to show how you can turn this neighborhood into a green space, step-by-step:

- ➔ What do you want to change?

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What materials and technologies will you use?



What benefits will it bring to residents and the environment?



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Create a presentation of your project (drawing, description, or model) showing how this neighborhood can be transformed into a greener and friendlier space. Consider potential challenges and how you might overcome them (e.g., lack of funds, community resistance).



Which elements of the neglected neighborhood can be transformed into more eco-friendly ones?





What simple and affordable changes could positively impact the appearance of the neighborhood?



How can you engage other residents in the project's implementation?



What social and environmental benefits arise from introducing green solutions?

We encourage you to choose the ugliest spot in your area and transform it into a green oasis!