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**“Activism is the rent I pay
for living on this planet”**

Alice Walker, Author & Activist



THE WORLD IS CHANGING - HOW ABOUT US?

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Who takes part?

Local community groups, religious and voluntary organisations, environmentalists, inter-faith groups, youth groups, schools, universities, campaigners or local branches of national organisations create events which are accessible, yet challenging, to all in their community.

When?

Most events take place during One World Week which incorporates UN Day on **24th October**, but you can celebrate it when it suits you. And **all year round** you can share news/stories on social media.

What?

Any local event you'd like to organise which reflects the theme: **THE WORLD IS CHANGING — HOW ABOUT US?**

An inspiring talk, quiz, fair trade fete, walk, poetry reading, debate, vigil, film, global/local meal, act of worship, school assembly or project, inter-cultural activity, arts performance –share perspectives – have fun - whatever - it's up to your community!

www.oneworldweek.org

Use our website to:

- **Find:**
 - new ideas behind the theme (see opposite)
 - tips & handbook about organising OWW events
 - suggestions for working across faiths
 - new resources to download
 - publicity & worship materials
 - actions to take throughout the year with supporting organisations
- Register for our eNewsletter
- Add your activity for us all to see
- Give your event a new twist or get together with others & plan a new one
- Return regularly for what's new that might suit your situation



One World Week stimulates people to organise local events about global justice issues at around the same time, across the country and beyond.

All events become part of a wider movement, linked to the European Global Education Week Network, which explores how responsible citizens can build a just, peaceful and sustainable world.

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THE WORLD IS CHANGING - HOW ABOUT US?

We are now aware of how human activity is destabilising Earth's natural systems: from extreme weather to pollution to species extinction.

"We are the first generation to know that we're undermining the ability of the Earth system to support human development...we now need to navigate a transformation to a globally sustainable future."

(Johan Rockström, 2014, Head of the international Stockholm Resilience Centre)

Industrial capitalism has lifted billions out of poverty, extended human lives, and connected a global community. Costs include over-exploiting natural resources and growing inequality, which leaves billions of people without basic necessities, transgressing human rights and triggering conflicts and migration.

How do we change to an economic system that aims to achieve prosperity for all, leaving no-one behind, and acknowledges that human activity depends on sustainable interactions with Earth's systems?

The seeds of change are all around us to make the transition to a sustainable and inclusive future, including practical examples and inspiration to challenge corporate power. What is our role?

In One World Week's 40th year, we invite you to create or join in local OWW events to consider local and global responses to change. Let's accept the need to change, explore the opportunities, enthuse others and commit to changes in our own life-styles.

OWW works with other national organisations to develop the annual theme together, sharing resources and information. Throughout the year, our website www.oneworldweek.org draws attention to activities that relate to the theme.

The Week offers opportunities for everyone to set up or take part in local OWW events in solidarity with the vulnerable worldwide. At your events, don't forget OWW is an awareness-raising charity which needs core financial support for this work.