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Summary Writing

An activity of "Singapore is working towards net-zero emissions"

Being able to summarise something is a useful skill. For example, when you tell someone about an event, you would include only the main points and not every single detail. Generally, in a summary, we keep only the main ideas and discard supporting ideas like examples and explanations.

The paragraphs below are taken from the section "Greener power" in the article "Singapore is working towards net-zero emissions" (page 6, *What's Up* March 2022). Your task is to summarise in 100 words what Singapore is doing to achieve net-zero.

STEPS

1. Highlight the main points. Then, underline the supporting ideas and categorise them into "example" or "elaboration". The first paragraph has been done for you.
2. Repeat these steps for the sections "Public transport" and "Carbon sinks" in the article.
3. Using the main points, write out your summary. You should have 8 to 10 points.

1. The first way Singapore aims to reduce carbon emitted from power generation is by improving the efficiency of our generators. Thanks to improved technology, newer gas turbines can produce less carbon for the same amount of electricity generated. [elaboration] Replacing the old turbines with greener ones would help reduce our emissions.
2. Secondly, Singapore hopes to embrace solar energy. It aims to have solar energy meet 4 percent of our energy needs by 2030. The plan is to have more solar panels installed on buildings here, such as office blocks and HDB flats.
3. Singapore is even experimenting with floating solar panel systems on reservoirs. Some, like the one at Tengeh Reservoir, could be as large as 45 soccer fields! Solar power businesses may even be able to sell their extra solar power to others.
4. In addition, Singapore is looking into the possibility of buying renewable electricity from neighbouring countries. This is power generated from carbon-free methods, such as wind energy or hydropower. It could also come from solar power, which can be done on a much larger scale overseas where more land is available.