Choice Board - Environmental Issues across Southern and Eastern Asia

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- a. describe the causes and effects of pollution on the Yangtze and Ganges Rivers.
- b. describe the causes and effects of air pollution and flooding in India and China

Directions: Choose ONE learning activity from one square to complete.

1. Investigate air pollution in China and India. Identify 3 major causes of air pollution. Write a 5 paragraph letter to the government of either country explaining your concerns about the causes of air pollution in your country due to the effects, such as respiratory disease and the Asian Brown Cloud.	2. Investigate the major causes of pollution in the Ganges River. Write an editorial explain why the Ganges should be cleaned. Explain the causes and effects. Include major causes of pollution, sacredness to Hindus, and solutions to the problem.	3. Construct a poster encouraging more people to support the efforts in cleaning up the Yangtze River. Describe the major causes (at least 3) of water pollution and its effects on people living in China. Explain solutions for improving the problem along the Yangtze in complete sentences. The poster must have illustrations and a catchy title. The illustrations must be neat, colorful, attractive, and relevant.
4. Write a 4 paragraph short story that addresses the following question: How do monsoons affect people of South Asia? Create your story around explaining what monsoons are, why monsoons occur, and their affect one people in India. Your story must contain 4 paragraphs, 4-6 sentences in each paragraph, at least 3 characters, provide factual information about monsoons, and you must stay on topic.	5. Investigate the pros and cons of the Three Gorges Dam on the Yangtze River. Explain the cost, what it is made of, and its main function. Create a poster that is informative, creative, and neat explaining the pros and cons. You must include illustrations.	6. Create and illustrate a brochure that would encourage more people to support the efforts in cleaning up the Ganges River. Describe the major causes (at least 3) of water pollution and its effects on people living in India. Explain solutions for improving the problem along the Ganges using complete sentences. Design a cover with a catchy title and an illustration. All illustrations should be neat, colorful, attractive, and relevant.
7. Imagine that Apple has hired you to create a new application that will solve one of Asia's environmental issues. Complete the graphic organizer below to help you organize your thoughts before you create your app. Be creative! *See Mrs. Davis for further instructions!*	8. Imagine that you are a news reporter for one of Asia's top radio news stations. Choose one of Asia's environmental issues and write and record a news broadcast as if you are right there living through it. Be sure to include a description of the problem and its effects. Also include quotes from a fictional family that you have interviewed.	9. Student choice! Approve your choice by Mrs. Davis

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