

**Writing Assignment and Scoring Guide** Name \_\_\_\_\_

The 4<sup>th</sup> graders in your school are interested in climate change. You have been chosen to write 1-2 paragraphs on how humans impact the environment through their carbon footprint. Then you will read your paragraphs to the 4<sup>th</sup> grade class.

Use your Carbon Footprint Worksheet as the basis for your paragraphs. Your paragraphs will be graded in the following way:

**Scoring Guide**

Requirements	Points Possible	Points Earned
Introduced the topic: How humans impact the environment.	10	
Gave them information on what kinds of activities raise the carbon footprint.	10	
Gave them information on why a large carbon footprint is harmful to the environment.	10	
Gave them 3 ideas on how to decrease their carbon footprint.	10	
Had a good ending that sums up your argument.	10	
Used correct grammar/mechanics	-1 points for each error	
Total	50	