

2 Polar Bears – Video Transcript

Bear 1 : You ought to stop fishing in the ice like that. The size of that hole is causing climate change.

Bear 2 : What do you figure about that?

Bear 1 : Well you've been fishing like that for as far as I can remember and climate change has happened so that must be causing it.

Bear 2 : No...That's not causing climate change. Climate change is caused by fishing with synthetic lines like the one you've got.

Bear 1 : No I don't think that's it. I think it's your position, see... You are facing East. You need to not be facing East.

Bear 2 : Not be facing east? That sounds a bit far-fetched. I think it's the blue hat you're wearing that's causing climate change.

Bear 1 : My blue hat?

Bear2 : Yeah it's clear, well, maybe not but...What else could possibly be causing climate change?

Bear 1 : Mmm, maybe it's the humans

Bear 2 : The humans?

Bear 1 : Yeah!!

Bear 2 : No no no. Do you think for one moment that they would allow that to happen to us?

Bear 1 : Oh! It's got to be the hat then!

Bear 2 : Yeah! It must be the hat.

EXPLOITATION DE LA VIDEO

Two polar bears are fishing through holes they've made in the ice.
Of course this is unrealistic, but fish is these bears' staple food.

They are sitting face to face and Bear 1 **is accusing** the other **of** causing climate change/ he **holds** him **responsible for** the situation. He **is laying the blame on** the other bear. He tells him he **should/ ought to** stop making such big holes in the ice. he **reproaches him for** caus**ing** the ice to melt.

Bear 1 is only trying to **find logical explanations**. He **draws conclusions from** what he **has witnessed**. Bear 2 replies that the other **has been fishing** with synthetic lines **for** too long, **that's why** the ice is getting thinner. **He implies** he **has been damaging** the environment **for** years. He **has been** causing the ice to melt **since he started** using his lines. **Therefore** he is the one **to blame for** the situation. Of course, **this sounds absurd**.

Bear 1 **retorts** that bear 1 **should not be facing** the East, which is just as ridiculous. He **shifts** (rejette) the **blame on** Bear 2. You need not = you shouldn't...V.

Bear 2 doesn't see the relation. **It is far-fetched** = tiré par les cheveux. In fact neither of them **has got a clue**.

They can only speculate, try to make sense of what's happening, just as scientists have been doing for years. Then Bear 2 makes an even more preposterous/silly suggestion: the hat which Bear 1 is wearing is the reason why the climate is changing.

Bear 1 is doubtful, and then suggests that the humans may be causing global warming/ responsible for what is happening, but neither of them can bring themselves to admit it.

They think that the humans wouldn't allow this to/ let this happen, wouldn't be so foolish as to destroy their environment. They just can't believe it / It's unbelievable. They brush the idea aside.

They trust the humans/ they think they know better than jeopardize the bears' lives. they think they would never betray them. They would rather blame it on the blue hat than admit it! Of course, they are mistaken and can't do anything about what is happening. We then realize that while they are saying this, things are getting worse, big chunks of ice are collapsing and the 2 bears are drifting apart.

Find the right modal : MUST/ MAY/ MIGHT / CAN'T / COULD / WOULD(n't) /
or an equivalent Have (has) got to.

- According to Bear 1 the big hole bear 2 has made be causing climate change.
- bear 2 doesn't agree. The size of the hole be responsible for it.
- But the synthetic line Bear 1 is using be damaging the environment.
- Bear 1 says it be his synthetic line. But facing East be making the ice melt.
- Bear 2 says it be the case. The trouble is the blue hat.
 - Bear 1 says it be so.
- Bear 2 admits that the blue hat not be causing it, but what else be causing it?
- The humans be causing it.
- No! They be causing it! They let that happen.
- So it's be the hat then!
- Yeah, it be the hat.