



Earth Day



- US Senator Gaylord Nelson founded Earth Day after a big oil spill leaked **millions of gallons of oil** off the coast of Santa Barbara.
- Earth Day was established in the US in **1970**.
- The first global Earth Day was in **1990**, with **200 million people** in **141 countries** celebrating.
- Now, **over a billion people** participate in Earth Day around the world every year!
- The very first Earth Day sparked an environmental movement and led to the creation of the **US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)**.



Organize a cleanup



Plant native wildflowers



Start composting

Visit a national park or monument

