2055

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Dear Earth,
I must stand here and apologize
For all the hurt we covered with lies
That what we've been doing is ok
And Earth can stay like this for another day

But that's not the truth, is it now
Because if it was we could show you how
The forests have no trash no waste
And beloved animals have not been erased
But instead the opposite has occurred
And we've simply closed our eyes and followed the herd

Reduce, reuse, recycle - may not be enough And fixing our issues will be no less than tough But right now we have no choice or time To not keep planet earth in its prime

It's going to be hard this no doubt And I won't lie there is no easy route But for a second just stop and think Imagine and let the image sink

It's now 2055
Flowers in bloom, bees swarming a hive
You take a breath and the air is clear
Animals and plants stand far and near
The sky is not grey from smoke and smog
But a soft blue clear of fog
The water is perfect enough for a swim
Cool and fun instead of gross and grim

That's the the 2055 we should want to see
A 2055 that deserves to be more than a memory
Of what 2022 could have saved

If a better Earth was what we craved On the bright side it's not too late To be better, to be great To change the world and be fantastic Before poor Earth is swallowed by plastic

Now my let's take a look, Because soon this will only be documented in books This is what will overtake our homes If all we do is sit in beds of foam

In 2055,

We stand, carrying a mask in our hands
But you see, the pandemic is over
These Range Rovers, have ruined our air
And soon this Earth will be bare
We wouldn't be able to breathe
Or see without the mask we wear
because of what we have done,
Do YOU think this is fun?

That's the Earth waiting for as at the end Because all this pollution will blend We won't be able to do much, But the Earth lies in our clutch If we don't try, We may all die Do you see the difference, When we didn't flee The issues we made Now we don't need aid To feel the breeze, being clean. Like I've said, 2055 isn't a memory, It's our story.

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