

Greta Thunberg' speech

Lyrics from Greta's speech in the UK parliament, April 2019

My name is Greta Thunberg. I am 16 years old...	G F
and I speak on behalf of future generations....	Am G
you don't want to listen, you say we are just children.	G F
But we only repeat the message of the climate science.	Am G
I assure you we will go back to school	C
when you listen to the science	Em
and give us a future. Is that really too much to ask?	F C
In the year 2030 I will be 26	C Em
a great age, we have been told.-But I am not so sure	F G

I was told us to dream big; I could become what I wanted to.
We had everything we could wish for
and yet now, we may have nothing.
Now we probably don't even have a future any more.
Because that future was sold ... It was stolen from us
 You lied to us. You gave us false hope.
 You told us that the future was something to look forward to.
 And the saddest thing ... most children are not even aware
 of the fate that awaits us. until it's too late.

And yet we are the lucky ones. Those affected the hardest
are already suffering. But their voices are not heard.
Around 10 years from now, we will set off an irreversible
chain reaction beyond human control,
 that will most likely end our civilization as we know it.
 unless we do permanent and unprecedented changes
 including a reduction of carbon dioxide emissions by
 at least 50% by the year 2030.

the last months I have travelled ... repeating these words...
But nothing has changed... the emissions are still rising.
the basic problem is that nothing is done to
halt climate breakdown, despite all words and promises.
 the most dangerous misconception is we have to "lower" our
 emissions. that is far from enough. Our emissions have to stop
 And by "stop" I mean net zero – and then quickly negative
 That rules out today's politics... of continuing, business as usual.