***Ecological Footprint Webquest***

In this activity, you will try two websites that calculate your individual footprint. You will rate each and note each one’s advantages and disadvantages.

Step 1: Your First Ecological Footprint Calculator!

1. Go to: http://www.myfootprint.org/
2. Start by selecting your language (click the American flag for “English”)
3. Follow the on-screen prompts, answer the questions and calculate your footprint! (If at any point you don’t understand a question, or aren’t sure what to answer, be sure to ask for help!).
4. When you get to the last page “My Ecological Footprint – Quiz Results”, scroll down and click the “print” button. Your results should be added to your portfolio, and will be used for wider analysis later.
   1. Optionally, you could click the orange button “reduce your footprint” and find out more information about reducing your environmental impact!
5. On the back of your printed results, write down a short list of the features you liked (advantages) about this website, and a short list of the features you didn’t like (disadvantages) about this website. *Optionally – you could wait until you complete the next ecological footprint before you write your list so that you have some sense of the different features available.*

Step 2: Your Second Ecological Footprint Calculator!

1. Go to: http://www.footprintnetwork.org/en/index.php/GFN/page/personal\_footprint/

1. Click the image to get started.
2. Select your location as “Calgary” (the only Canadian option!), choose the adult quiz and choose the “advanced quiz” option (*optionally - if the questions get too complicated for you, you can start over with the “basic quiz” option*).
3. Follow the on-screen prompts, answer the questions and calculate your footprint.
4. The results are interactive, so be sure to scroll your mouse over the results to get more information.
5. Click the red button at the top right-hand side of your results page to print your results.
6. On the back of your printed results, write down a short list of the features you liked (advantages) about this website, and a short list of the features you didn’t like (disadvantages) about this website. *Optionally, if you didn’t do this for your other results yet, do so now.*
7. Additionally, answer the following questions:
   1. How did your results compare between the two websites?
   2. If you were to recommend one of these sites to a friend, which one would you recommend? Why?