

Cartoons for the Classroom

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Are we fiddling as the planet burns?



Joep Bertrams, Het Parool / Courtesy of Cagle.com

Talking Points

1. What are these European cartoonists saying about the UN climate summit in Madrid?
2. Was the UN chief right when he warned today's leaders they could be remembered as the generation that "fiddled while the planet burned"?
3. Why are politicians in Brazil, Australia and the United States denying climate change even as wildfires destroy their forests?
4. What role do profits, jobs and political contributions play?
5. As scientists warn that we are running out of time, are world leaders betraying the young?

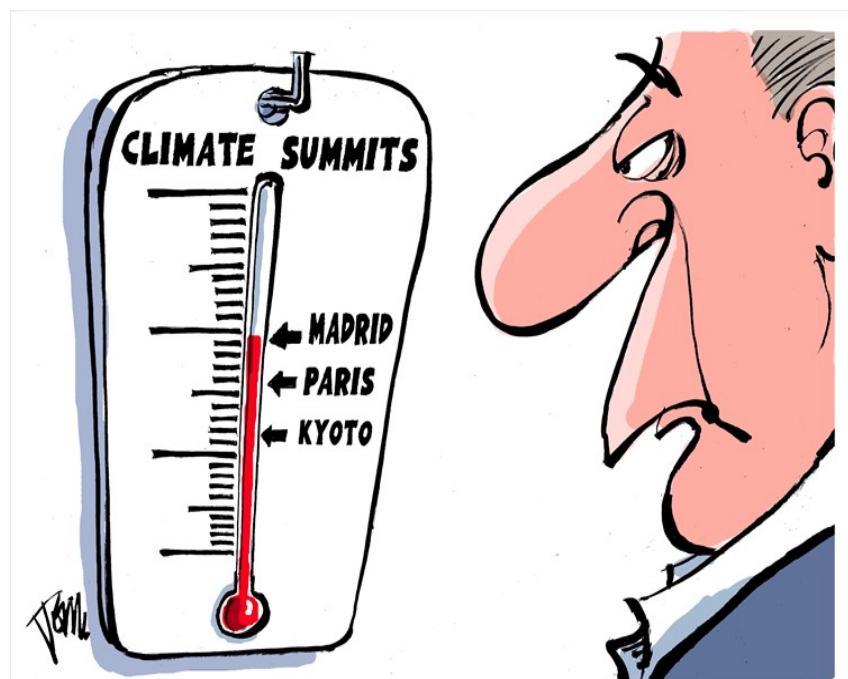
Between the lines

"World leaders are betraying us and we will not let that happen anymore. Change is coming whether you like it or not because we have no other choice." - Activist Greta Thunberg.

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-climate-change-accord-greta/activist-thunberg-warns-governments-in-madrid-that-change-is-coming-idUSKBN1YA0TU>

Additional resources

- [More by Joep Bertrams](https://www.cagle.com/author/joep-bertrams/)
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