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LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Explain what a tipping point is
- Explore the potential for tipping points to drastically change the climate system
- Apply your knowledge of tipping points to the Arctic, Amazon and circulation systems
- Investigate how tipping points might affect your life
- Debate the relevance of using 'tipping points' to shape policy
- Discuss the concept of tipping points in relation to social systems

SYLLABUS

Tipping Points in the Natural World

- What are 'tipping points'?
- Recognising early warning signals for major tipping points
- Tipping points in the climate system Arctic, Amazon and Circulation systems

Tipping Points in the Human World

- Tipping Points and policy
- Links between tipping points and social systems
 - Syrian droughts and conflict
- Positive tipping points influencing behavioural change and collective action

