



The consequences of climate change are now being felt in every corner of the world; no part of the globe is immune from it.

Hotter summers, colder winters, droughts or heavy rains are affecting the global population. In this new but scary normal, a hobby gardener like me is struggling to pursue her favourite summer activity which is gardening. On some days, I feel like giving up on gardening because in the face of adverse weather conditions, no matter how much I water and fertilise my plants, they do not grow and flourish.

While I mourn the untimely death of



my cucumber vine and lament over the poor health of my lettuces and eggplant, I think of farmers around the world and

what grief they must feel when their fields yield lower-than-expected crops. Think of the massive financial losses these farmers also incur as a result of the climate crisis, not to mention the huge loss of food for the world population. Even a hobby gardener like me lost most of the money I spent on seeds, plants, soil, and fertiliser this year. There are other costs, too. For instance, gardening water bill and a gardener's time and energy.

Climate change is real. It does not matter where you reside on this planet; it will come for you sooner or later. I read about climate change all the time but this spring and summer, I have experienced the effects of climate change in ways I have never experienced before. While we cannot repair the damages we have already done overnight, nations and individuals should give climate change mitigation their highest priority. We must remember that global warming affects everyone's food and water security in small and big ways.

I am looking forward to next spring and summer with the hope that it will not be as 'unfruitful' as this summer, although in my heart, I remain sceptical.

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## HOROSCOPE



**ARIES**  
(MAR. 21-APR. 20)

Keep your feelings to yourself. Finish off any old projects. Travel will be in your best interest. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.



**TAURUS**  
(APR. 21-MAY 21)

Health problems can arise if you aren't careful. Colleagues may cause problems for you. Help a loved one with a personal problem. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.



**GEMINI**  
(MAY 22-JUN. 21)

Make financial gains through your unique approach. Social activity should be on your agenda. You may need help with your financial situation. Your lucky day this week will be Monday.



**CANCER**  
(JUN. 22-JUL. 22)

Secret affairs can lead to devastating circumstances. Channel your energy into home-improvement projects. Relatives might want to get together. Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday.



**LEO**  
(JUL. 23-AUG. 22)

Your moods will see drastic changes. Restrictions will set you back. Health problems can arise this week. Your lucky day this week will be Thursday.



**VIRGO**  
(AUG. 23-SEP. 23)

Make plans to travel. Partnerships could face problems. Don't let co-workers interfere with your objectives. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.



**LIBRA**  
(SEP. 24-OCT. 23)

You might be distracted with work. Don't discuss personal matters with anyone. Be wary of those with overly strong convictions. Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday.



**SCORPIO**  
(OCT. 24-NOV. 21)

Acknowledge your partner's needs. Your problem-solving ability will help at work. Don't upset elders in your family. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.



**SAGITTARIUS**  
(NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

Restrictions may be difficult to deal with. Social events will let you meet new potential partners. Don't get confrontational with your employer. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.



**CAPRICORN**  
(DEC. 22-JAN. 20)

Avoid spending excessively on luxuries. Help children with important projects. Accidents can happen if you aren't careful. Your lucky day this week will be Monday.



**AQUARIUS**  
(JAN. 21-FEB. 19)

Travel could result in new romantic attractions. Spend time with children this week. Old friends may not like your choices. Your lucky day this week will be Friday.



**PISCES**  
(FEB. 20-MAR. 20)

Colleagues may not have your best interest at heart. Family gatherings should be in order. Own up to your mistakes. Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday.



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