BUILDING GREATER RESILIENCE IN TOURISM WORKERS THROUGH CLIMATE RELATED SKILLS

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RESILIENCE DEFINED...

- Resilience typically means that something or someone has a strong capacity for 
  
  **withstanding stress**, crises or traumas and to grow stronger through 
  
  **adaptation**, through learning and dealing with risks.
DOES CLIMATE CHANGE DESTROY JOBS OR CREATE JOBS?
ON A PIECE OF PAPER

- Identify a tourist attraction in your country affected by rising sea levels or global warming.
- Write down the impacts.
LINKS:

ARE WE STILL NOT RESPONDING TO THE CLIMATE CRISIS, IN TERMS OF TOURISM SKILLS?

- The tourism industry is affected increasingly by climate change; climate change, everything change.

- Tourism industry needs to identify new skills to reduce effects of climate change in tourist attractions.

- Some jobs in tourism have changed; workers need to learn new skills.
CRISES AFFECTING TOURISM

- Energy crisis – 1970
- Asian financial crisis – 1997
- 911 attacks on NYC – 2001
- Covid pandemic 2020
- Climate change!!!
https://www.independent.co.uk/climate-change/news/climate-change-uk-wine-production-b2118254.html
African Heritage Sites threatened by coastal flooding and erosion as sea-level rise accelerates
SKILLS CRISIS BECAUSE OF THE CLIMATE CRISIS...? NO WAY!

- Global warming and rising sea levels are causing havoc on tourist attractions.
- However, this two phenomena have also created new specialized tourism jobs.
- Tourism jobs that we perhaps have never seen 10 years ago.
WHY IS CLIMATE RESILIENCE THE SAME AS TOURISM SKILLS RESILIENCE?

- Climate change is changing tourist attractions and new skills and knowledge are needed to respond to the changes.
- Climate change is making us identify new solutions the tourism industry can adopt.
- And that helps identify new tourism skills.