Film 2 - What is sustainability

There are tons of different definitions out there for sustainability, but the most common one is taken from something called the Brundtland report, or Our Common Future: "meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs."

In 2015, the UN launched these Global Goals as a way to take action on sustainability. You might have seen them before, and they act as a positive way to show the breath of sustainability. But these goals can end up encouraging people to think in boxes, or even miss up the planet completely, and it's a planet which is key to everything.

It's important to think about connections in sustainability, with something called the Triple Bottom Line - this part in the middle, the intersect of people, profit and the planet. True sustainability is about making decisions for the long-term future, which has the best possible outcome for all. This is critical step in what's known as "systems thinking."

Some thinkers split up the people element into social and cultural strands, but whether you use three labels or four, a concern for justice across cultural groups is core to decolonial thinking and a sustainable future.