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The Age of Stupid

Armstrong, Franny. *The Age of Stupid*. London: Spanner Films, 2009. HDV, 89 min. <https://youtu.be/DZjsJdokC0s>.

Oscar-nominated Pete Postlethwaite plays an old man living in the devastated world of 2055 in this documentary-drama-animation hybrid. Runaway climate change has ravaged the planet by 2055. Pete plays the founder of The Global Archive, a storage facility located in the (now melted) Arctic, preserving all of humanity's achievements in the hope that the planet might one day be habitable again. Pulling together clips of archive news and documentary from 1950–2008 to build a message showing what went wrong and why, Pete's exploration surfaces compelling footage and complex issues facing us in our world today. He asks: Why didn't we stop climate change when we had the chance? *The Age of Stupid* led to the formation of the 10:10 carbon reduction campaign which now operates in 45 countries. (Source: Adapted from [Films for Action](#))

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Related links:

- Official Film Website
<http://www.spannerfilms.net/films/ageofstupid>
- 10:10 Carbon reduction campaign
<http://www.1010global.org>

Websites linked in this text:

- http://www.filmsforaction.org/watch/the_age_of_stupid_2009/
- <https://www.environmentandsociety.org/multimedia/collection/environmental-films-project>