

4 Listen and sort.

Listen to the final part of the presentation.
Sort statements 1-6 into advantages and disadvantages.

Advantages	Disadvantages

1
Solar energy
does not produce
greenhouse
gases.

2
Solar panels are
expensive to
install.

3
Over time,
solar panels will
save money on
electricity bills.

4
Solar panels
require a lot of
space.

5
Solar panels do
not generate
electricity on
cloudy days.

6
Solar panels do
not require much
maintenance.

Useful Language

Talking about advantages and disadvantages

The greatest advantage of (solar energy) is...

The main benefit of (wind power) is ...

Another advantage is ...

The biggest disadvantage of (biofuel) is ...

One disadvantage is ...

Overall, the advantages outweigh the disadvantages.

5 Discuss.

Think about the ideas below for using renewable energy in Oman.
Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of each idea with your group.
Use the expressions in the Useful Language box to help you.



Installing a wind turbine
at your school to generate
electricity to power the lights
in your school.



Installing underwater turbines
off the coast of Oman to
generate tidal energy.



Giving students bikes that
generate electricity when they
ride them. The electricity can
be used to charge electronic
devices.