

# Vocabulary

## The environment

1 Complete the definitions with these words.

care about    environment    planet    pollution  
recycle    reduce    reuse    rubbish

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_: a large round object in space (e.g. the Earth)
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_: damage to the natural world by harmful substances
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_: use something more than once
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_: things that people throw in the bin
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_: be interested in someone or something
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_: change waste into something new
- 7 \_\_\_\_\_: use less of something
- 8 the \_\_\_\_\_: the natural world

2 Complete the text with the correct words from Exercise 1.

### Me and the environment

Every day, I read a new article about  
1 \_\_\_\_\_, like dirty air from factories,  
and it really worries me. We only have one  
2 \_\_\_\_\_, so we need to look after  
the environment. It's something that I really  
3 \_\_\_\_\_, so I always try to do the right  
thing. I recycle as much as I can and I'm trying  
to 4 \_\_\_\_\_ how much plastic I use,  
so I hardly ever buy things in plastic packets.  
I also 5 \_\_\_\_\_ things. For example, I  
use old clothes to clean the house. My goal is to  
throw nothing away – I want to have an empty  
6 \_\_\_\_\_ bin!

# Grammar

## used to

1 Complete the sentences and questions with the correct form of *used to*.

- 1 I \_\_\_\_\_ care about the environment, but now I know it's important.
- 2 Sheila loves cooking programmes now, but she \_\_\_\_\_ prefer chat shows.
- 3 What kind of music \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ listen to when you were a teenager?
- 4 Before phones, everyone \_\_\_\_\_ have to meet on time!
- 5 In the past, cars and buses \_\_\_\_\_ have any windscreen wipers.
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ Luis \_\_\_\_\_ read lots of books?

2 Write three sentences comparing your life now with your life five years ago. Use *used to* and *didn't use to*.

*I used to watch a lot of TV, but now I prefer reading.*

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_

# Pronunciation

## Understanding elision (1): *used to*

1  Listen and choose the word you hear.

- 1 I *used to / didn't use to* care about trees.
- 2 I *used to / didn't use to* use a plastic toothbrush.
- 3 I *used to / didn't use to* buy new clothes every month.
- 4 I *used to / didn't use to* walk everywhere.