

SET 2

Read the text on **what you can do to help save the environment**. Then, answer questions (a) – (i).

Read the text below.

There are many things you can do to help save the environment. Firstly, if you have a garden, you can make compost to encourage better plant growth. You can make compost with kitchen scraps. Then, plant trees in your garden as they absorb carbon dioxide and provide shade. It is a good idea to plant native plants as they need less watering.

Please turn off electrical appliances when you are not using them. Did you know that up to 30 per cent of power used by television sets is used while they are turned on? You should also use your windows to control the temperature. When the weather is hot, open your windows. The breeze from outside will keep you cool and remove stale air.

Furthermore, good air circulation throughout your home saves the cost of running an air-conditioner. Also remember to turn off the lights when they are not in use. You are only throwing money away by leaving them on.

Then, try to recycle as much as possible. You should have four separate waste baskets for paper, glass, metal and organic waste. Make sure the contents end up in the correct recycling bins. Also, avoid using disposable products, such as plates, cups, napkins and cutlery. Use reusable towels and dishwashing cloth in place of paper towels and disposable dish sponges.

If you have a printer at home, use recycled paper for your printer. When you are using new pieces of paper, practise printing on both sides of the paper. You can also give scrap paper to your younger siblings or turn it into note paper for the phone table. You should also turn off the computer every day. Furthermore, by turning off the computer at night, you also reduce any risks of overheating.

Read the text carefully and answer questions (a) – (i).

(a) What is the purpose of making compost?

[1 mark]

(b) List two benefits of planting trees in your garden.

i. _____

[1 mark]

ii. _____

[1 mark]

(c) Why should you open the windows when the weather is hot?

[1 mark]

(d) What are the four separate waste baskets for?

[1 mark]

(e) Fill in the table with an appropriate word or phrase from the text. **HOTS**

Meaning	Word/Phrase
i. waste from the kitchen	
ii. to make something more likely to develop	
iii. spend money unnecessarily	
iv. take away	

[4 marks]

(f) What types of disposable products should you avoid using?

[1 mark]

(g) Why should you turn off the lights when you are not using them?

[1 mark]

(h) Why do you think people must practise printing on both sides of paper? **HOTS**

[2 marks]

(i) Give **two** other suggestions to save the environment. **HOTS**

i. _____ [1 mark]

ii. _____ [1 mark]

[15 marks]

Carpool when possible.	remove	Plant more trees.
They absorb carbon dioxide.	To reduce paper consumption.	Throwing money away
To control the temperature.	encourage	They provide shade.
To keep us cool and remove stale air.	Plates, cups, napkins, cutlery, paper towels and dish sponges.	We are only throwing money away by leaving them on.
kitchen scraps	To encourage better plant growth.	Paper, glass, metal and organic waste.