

# EmSat Reading (Plastic and Recycling)



**To retrieve simple factual information by focusing on key words and synonyms**

**Plastic and Recycling**

Underline and highlight these words as you find them in the text

internally	environment	vast	awareness
eventually	individual	prominent	public
foremost	grants	amounts	commitment
involved	request	placement	reduce



Read the text below and answer the following questions. Try to answer all the questions.

1. Abu Dhabi // In a country as hot as the UAE, bottled water probably tops the list of most consumed product. This eventually produces vast amounts of waste plastic! Two of the UAE's most prominent water companies have highlighted their commitment to recycling the plastic bottles they produce.
2. Masafi and Al Ain water said they had schemes in place to keep their plastic use at a responsible level. Masafi has been recycling since 2008 when it incorporated it as part of its "key corporate objectives". Aside from promoting recycling internally and through public awareness programs, Masafi grants recycling bins to companies and organizations which request one.
3. "Any UAE school, or any company that is employing 200 plus people, can take the initiative and request the placement of collection bins and hand over plastic bottles for recycling purposes," said Intikhab Alam, who is head of marketing at Masafi.



Through this service, approximately 100 tons of plastic has been collected and sent for pre-processing in Masafi's plant in Ras Al Khaimah, then shipped for recycling in Fujairah where it is reworked into non-food plastic items.

4. "We believe it is the responsibility of companies, consumers and governments to work together to promote recycling as it is important to look after the world we live in."
5. Al Ain, another leading water brand, takes a different approach to reducing waste! "We have redesigned the shape of the Al Ain Water bottle and the new lightweight one is more eco-friendly," a company spokesperson said! "It uses approximately 30 per cent less Pet [polyethylene terephthalate] and plastic in the bottle and cap, which significantly reduces waste."
6. Ms Al Marashi, of the Emirates Environmental Group, said that it is important to make sure that everyone is aware of exactly how to recycle, which begins first and foremost in the separation of plastics from other refuse.
7. "We all need to be a part of the recycling effort," she said! "There is a tendency in our region to place the responsibility on the government, she said, but that is our failure as a whole society when efficient recycling is not carried out."
8. "That's not the correct way to look at it," she said! "When it comes to the environment it is absolutely everyone's responsibility to walk the line! Every individual has their role in it and everyone needs to become involved with recycling."

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**LIVEWORKSHEETS**

**Choose the correct answers from a, b, c or d:**

**1. The best title for the text is ....**

- a. Production of water bottles
- b. Water Companies in the UAE
- c. Recycling of Plastic in the UAE
- d. Emirates Environmental Group

**2. "We" in Paragraph 7 refers to .....**

- a. people
- b. Masafi
- c. Al Ain
- d. water bottles

**3. In Paragraph 1, the phrase, "most consumed product," means ....**

- a. used very little
- b. most used product
- c. least used product

d. neither used nor recycled

**4. According to the text, 2 of UAE's most prominent water companies**

**are:**

a. Masafi and Nestle

b. Al Ain and Oasis

c. Masafi and Al Ain

d. Nestle and Aqua Blue

**5. According to the text, how many people must a company or school have to request collection bins?**

a. less than 20

b. less than 200

c. more than 200

d. more than 500

**6. The purpose of the text is to .....**

a. inform

b. advise

c. persuade

d. entertain

**7. The word, “internally” in Paragraph 2 means ...**

a. inside

b. outside

c. around

d. on top of

**8. What is the 1st step of the recycling process?**

a. to use PET

b. redesigning the shape of the bottle

c. the separation of plastics from waste

d. sending the plastics to Ras Al Khaimah

**9. This article is taken from a ....**

a. website

b. newspaper

c. dictionary

d. encyclopedia

**10. According to Ms Al Marashi, whose responsibility is it to care for the environment?**

- a. schools
- b. everyone
- c. business
- d. government