

LISTENING AND READING

PART A LISTENING

Listen and watch the video about the huge issue for our humanity and choose the best option. (write the letter in the blank (a,b,c or d)

CHOOSE THE BEST OPTION

1) According to the speaker, greenhouse gases are produced by...

- a) heat from the sun
- b) the actions of people
- c) the sun's rays, and also the actions of people
- d) the video doesn't say

2) Which of these things is a greenhouse gas?

- a) carbon monoxide
- b) carbon dioxide
- c) oxygen
- d) the video doesn't say

3) Which of these ways to generate power provides a clean source of energy?

- a) gas
- b) oil
- c) wind power
- d) they are all clean sources of energy

4) Which of these things can help reduce levels of carbon dioxide?

- a) driving to work
- b) heating with coal instead of gas
- c) using public transport
- d) leaving your TV on standby, rather than switching it off

5) Which of these predictions about climate change does the video make?

- a) If the planet gets warmer, then polar bears will become extinct
- b) If the planet gets warmer, then we can expect more floods
- c) if the planet gets warmer, then fuel will become less expensive
- d) if the planet gets warmer, then sea levels will rise

6) The word extinct means...?

- a) to become scarce or rare
- b) in need of protection
- c) to become endangered
- d) something that has died out, and no longer exists

7) Choose the best answer to complete this statement:

If the planet continues to heat up, ____ expect to experience more extreme weather.

- a) then will we
- b) then can we
- c) then we can
- d) then should we

8) Which of these things isn't mentioned in the video?

- a) wave energy
- b) car pooling
- c) coral reefs
- d) heat waves

Read the text and do the task

End Plastic Pollution

What Can You Do to 'End Plastic Pollution'?

There are lots of things we can all do to help end plastic pollution. Most importantly, we need to remember the three Rs in order: reduce, reuse, recycle. We should first try to 'reduce' our use of plastics, then 'reuse' where possible. The last resort is to 'recycle' as this still has a negative impact on the environment, due to the initial manufacturing of the plastic.

Reduce: Avoid **single-use** plastics, such as straws and takeaway cups, instead choosing to use alternatives, such as bamboo. Avoid buying plastic toys unless they are second-hand. You can't do this alone, so it is important to talk to your family, headteacher or school council about how your school and family can use less plastic.



Reuse: If you have plastic items, ensure that you use them multiple times. For example, refill and reuse water bottles and lunch bags. Also avoid using plastic bags for shopping, using strong, long-lasting fabric bags instead. When you no longer enjoy a toy, make sure you take it to a charity shop so that someone else can enjoy it.



Recycle: Check for the recycling symbol before you buy plastic and make sure that you always recycle plastic when you can, instead of throwing it away with the normal rubbish. Currently, less than half of all plastic bottles bought in the UK are recycled, however, the new plastic bottle return scheme should hopefully increase this amount.



1. Which of these are problems caused by plastic? Tick **two**.

- poisoning and injuring sea animals
- taking hundreds of years to decompose
- a new plastic bottle tax
- filling landfills and spreading into the environment

2. Draw a line to match the activity with its name.

Ensure that you do not throw plastic items away, putting them in the correct bin so they can be remade into something else.

reduce

Avoid buying anything made of plastic; choose alternatives instead.

reuse

Utilise plastic items that you own more than once.

recycle

4. Fill in the missing words from this sentence:

3 It breaks into _____, which then get blown around by the wind and the rain, and lots of the plastic ends up in our _____ and the _____.