

Clean and green!

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VOCABULARY

Talking about the environment | Compound nouns:
the environment | Protecting and damaging
the environment | Environmental issues |
Elections and campaigns

GRAMMAR

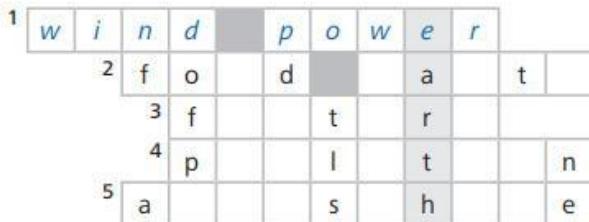
Past Perfect |
Used to and Past Simple

Vocabulary

Protecting the environment

1 ● Read the sentences and write the missing environment words in the crossword.

- 1 _____ is a great solution for countries surrounded by the sea.
- 2 Did you know you can recycle _____ to grow plants?
- 3 That's the _____ where they make cars.
- 4 The government needs to do more to reduce _____.
- 5 Global warming is caused by too much carbon in the Earth's _____.



2 ● Choose the correct option.

- 1 We need more trees on the planet because they produce **oxygen** / pollution.
- 2 Solar / Wind power isn't really possible in this part of the country because it's so dark all the time.
- 3 The company closed the **factory** / atmosphere after complaints about pollution from local residents.
- 4 It's becoming more and more difficult to find new sources of **petrol** / oil in the world.
- 5 Does your car run on oil / **petrol** or gas?
- 6 The forest fire was in an area with lots of **endangered** / wind animals.

3 ● WORD FRIENDS Match verbs 1–5 with their opposites a–e.

1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> d recycle/reuse	a clean up
2 <input type="checkbox"/> protect	b waste
3 <input type="checkbox"/> pollute	c damage
4 <input type="checkbox"/> save	d throw-away
5 <input type="checkbox"/> reduce	e increase

4 ● Match the sentence halves.

1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b We need to reduce the amount of carbon	a change is real.
2 <input type="checkbox"/> Because of global	b dioxide in the atmosphere.
3 <input type="checkbox"/> We need to use more types of renewable	c sources used to generate electricity in this country?
4 <input type="checkbox"/> It's incredible that some people don't believe that climate	d car is a good way to reduce pollution.
5 <input type="checkbox"/> We take our bottles and cans to a recycling	e warming, many parts of the world are seeing water shortages.
6 <input type="checkbox"/> Driving an electric	f energy, such as wind and solar power.
7 <input type="checkbox"/> What are the main energy	g centre next to the supermarket.



5 ●●● Complete the sentences with the words below.

change dioxide endangered factories oil
oxygen pollution recycling solar source

- 1 Getting energy from the sun as solar power is a great way to reduce _____.
- 2 Using _____ as an energy source is one of the biggest causes of climate _____.
- 3 Trees take in carbon _____ and release _____ into the atmosphere.
- 4 Our city needs more _____ centres. In fact, a lot of things that people throw away could be used as an energy _____.
- 5 Water and land pollution from the _____ in the area affects _____ animals.

6 ●●● Choose the word or phrase that does NOT fit in each sentence.

- 1 Do you _____ plastic bags at home?
a reuse b pollute c throw away
- 2 What do people in your country do to _____ the environment?
a recycle b protect c damage
- 3 The main aim of our green group is to protect _____.
a rubbish b the environment c people's health
- 4 Personally, I don't do much to _____ beaches.
a pollute b clean up c waste
- 5 My school _____ a lot of energy every month.
a throws away b saves c wastes
- 6 The company's actions do a lot to _____.
a increase b waste c decrease

7 ●●● The words in bold in the sentences are wrong. Correct them.

- 1 Let's take these newspapers and magazines to the recycling **factory**. centre
- 2 The local government has decided to clean **out** the local beaches. _____
- 3 Throwing away plastic bags and other rubbish **protects** the environment. _____
- 4 I listened to a talk last night about climate **energy** – it's a huge problem. _____
- 5 These factories have caused a lot of air **rubbish**. _____
- 6 Unfortunately, over 1,000 plants and animals in the USA are **renewable**. _____

8 ●●● Complete the words in the text.



The time for change is now

It's important to understand why people should ¹protect the planet more. It's a really big problem, and we are already seeing the effects of climate ²c _____. Although ³e _____. cars are a bit better for the environment, they're too expensive for most people, so a lot of people still drive cars which use ⁴p _____. and even fewer people use public transport or cycle to work. People should also think about what they eat. Meat and dairy farming ⁵d _____. the environment and ⁶w _____. a lot of energy, so adding more plants to our diet can help. And we ⁷t _____. away plastic bags and aluminium cans which we should ⁸r _____. We need to move to ⁹r _____. energy and stop depending on petrol and ¹⁰o _____. We need to ¹¹c _____. up the oceans and the air. And we need to do it now or our children may not have a planet to live in.