

EXERCISE 2

You must be surprised when I tell you that the house where I live in is made of plastic panels built from plastic waste. It started with my concern for the condition of my neighborhood. It is very dirty with plastic waste and garbage. The ground water where I live is quite black. It tastes very bad and it seems that it contains iron. Besides that, it is so smelly that it is hard to describe.

We, a youth organization, have decided to carry out the Save Our Place program. We invite everyone to get involved in this program. We also ask for the support of a waste processing company on the outskirts of town. We further initiate regular clean-up activities.

During the clean-up activities, we often collect not less than 40,000 kg of plastic waste and 20,000 kg of household waste. We usually sort all the waste according to its type and put environmentally friendly bags. For the plastic waste, we take it to a waste processing facility to be turned into other useful products. Meanwhile, household waste that can be decomposed is handed over to a composing maker.

All plastic waste is washed clean before being processed into plastic panels. From these plastic panels, my new house has been built. Although small, my house is much more comfortable and stronger than before. All parts of this house are also from recycled materials like the furniture, such as chairs, tables, beds, and cabinets. Moreover, it is equipped with solar panels to power lights and small appliances. All of them are eco-friendly.

We will continue this Save Our Place program until our environment is clean and comfortable to live in. In addition, we will promote a new program to plant 100 trees every week as an effort to create clean water sources. It will be exciting to hear the birds singing and the crickets screeching while enjoying a clean, healthy, and comfortable environment.

❖ Do the exercise.

1. The speaker's house is made of _____.
 - a. solar panels
 - b. plastic bags
 - c. plastic panels
 - d. small appliances
 - e. decomposed waste
2. Tick (✓) statements which are suitable with the text.
 - ☐ The speaker's new house is cozy and eco-friendly.
 - ☐ The speaker doesn't need to pay for electricity bills.
 - ☐ The Save Our Place program only manages to build a house.
 - ☐ The speaker carries out his idea of cleaning the environment alone.
 - ☐ The speaker and his friends collect all types of waste, biodegradable and non-biodegradable.
3. The Save Our Place program is successful because _____ supports it.
 - a. the village chief
 - b. the local government
 - c. the Public Works Service
 - d. a waste collection company

e. a waste processing company

4. Tick (✓) the following statements True or False based on the text.

Statement	True	False
The Save Our Place program arises out of concern for a dirty environment.		
It turns out that the amount of household waste is much more than non-biodegradable waste.		
Plastic panels are made of cleaned plastic waste.		
Decomposed waste is also managed into a useful product.		
The program to plant one hundred trees every week is a part of the Save Our Place Program.		

5. Match each sense with suitable sentences taken from the text.

Sight	○	○ Although small, my house is much more comfortable and stronger than before.
Smell	○	○ It will be exciting to hear the birds singing and the crickets screeching.
Touch	○	○ It tastes very bad that it seems it contains iron.
Taste	○	○ It started with my concern for the condition of my neighborhood. Besides that, it is so smelly that it is hard to describe.
Hearing	○	○ It is very dirty with plastic waste and garbage.