

Task 3

1. Read the text in the textbook on page 53.
2. Answer the questions.

Saving the Environment

Good morning everyone. How are you today? I am Mr. Tan, the Advisor to the Junior Environment Club. I am here to talk about how young people like you can save our Mother Earth. First, **switch off** and **unplug** all electrical gadgets when not in use. If we do not switch off televisions, computers, laptops or telephone chargers, they would still **consume** electricity. Therefore, switch off and unplug the gadgets to save on power consumption. Next, **switch to** energy efficient lights. Fluorescent or LED light bulbs **last longer** and use less electricity than **conventional bulbs**. So, switch to energy efficient lights because they are long-lasting and economical. You can also **collect** rain water. You can use it to **water** plants, **clean** drains and porches. Thus, **collecting** rain water helps to **conserve** water and save on water bills. Last but not least, please **avoid** using **disposable** items. Plastic cups, bags, and containers take a minimum of 20 years to **decompose**. You can use your own bags or **refuse to accept** plastic bags when shopping. Hence, you can **reduce** the amount of waste going into **landfills**. To conclude, I hope you as the next generation would **protect** and save our Mother Earth. I would like to end my speech by "Keep the future bright, turn off the light." Thank you.

Answer the questions.

1. What is the speech about?

The speech is about _____

2. State three ways to save our environment.

- i. _____
- ii. _____
- iii. _____

3. What happens if we do not switch off or unplug our electrical appliances?

If we do not switch off or unplug our electrical appliances, _____

4. What is the difference between fluorescent and conventional light bulbs?

Fluorescent light bulbs _____

5. How do we conserve water?

We conserve water by _____