

4 Listen and sort.

Listen to the final part of the presentation.

Sort statements 1-6 into advantages and disadvantages.

Advantages	Disadvantages

1

Solar energy does not produce greenhouse gases.

2

Solar panels are expensive to install.

3

Over time, solar panels will save money on electricity bills.

4

Solar panels require a lot of space.

5

Solar panels do not generate electricity on cloudy days.

6

Solar panels do not require much maintenance.

Useful Language

Talking about advantages and disadvantages

The greatest advantage of (solar energy) is...

The main benefit of (wind power) is ...

Another advantage is ...

The biggest disadvantage of (biofuel) is ...

One disadvantage is ...

Overall, the advantages outweigh the disadvantages.

5 Discuss.

Think about the ideas below for using renewable energy in Oman.

Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of each idea with your group.

Use the expressions in the Useful Language box to help you.



Installing a wind turbine at your school to generate electricity to power the lights in your school.



Installing underwater turbines off the coast of Oman to generate tidal energy.



Giving students bikes that generate electricity when they ride them. The electricity can be used to charge electronic devices.