

3 Fill in the gaps with a suitable pronoun or *there*.

Teacher: Do you think that governments spend too much on space exploration nowadays?

Student: Well, I think that 1 there are a lot of different factors to take into consideration. For example some countries want to show the rest of the world that 2 they are successful and 3 they can do this with a space exploration program. 4 It seems that 5 it is more important for these countries to impress the world than to look after their own people. Sometimes 6 it is difficult to understand this because every country in the world has 7 its problems and has poor people that need to be looked after because they can't look after 8 themselves. So, yes, I do think that these countries should look after people first before 9 they start trying to send men to the moon! 10 There are too many other problems here on earth that we need to sort out.

4 Underline the correct words.

There are many reasons why 1 we / they should recycle household waste. The main reason is to avoid using up valuable resources making new things when 2 it is / we are not necessary. However, I do not think the government should make 3 it / the law compulsory for people to recycle their waste.

If the government makes a law that all households must recycle 4 their / its rubbish, 5 the law / it could lead to more problems. For example, how can 6 you / people check that people are recycling everything? 7 It is not practical to do this. / To do this is not practical. In addition, there is the argument that individuals should be allowed to decide for 8 each other / themselves whether to throw something away or to recycle 9 it / something.

I believe the most sensible approach is for the government to put more money into recycling schemes. The most successful are 10 the ones / them where the government gives each household special boxes to put different kinds of waste in, and 11 the government / they provide a regular collection service. 12 They / There are separate boxes for plastic, metal, glass etc. This makes 13 to recycle easier for people / it easier for people to recycle and 14 they / there are therefore less likely to throw things in the rubbish bin.