Unit 8: All living things

Lesson 6 Our living ocean environment

Learning objectives:

Listening: To listen and respond to peers' answers in the context of plastic usage.

Speaking: To discuss possible options for reducing their plastic footprint on the environment. To ask and answer questions about peers' use of plastic in every day life.

Reading: To read examples of reducing plastic usage.

Writing: To take notes while asking questions.

Key vocabulary:

Pollution

Plastic

Recycle

re-use

Reduce

Oceans

Seas

dangerous













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Reading

- 1 21st Read the quiz questions. Work with your group to guess the answers.
- 1 How much plastic is found in the oceans every year?
 - 2 million tonnes b 8 million tonnes c 20 million tonnes
- 2 Plastic floats around the world's seas and oceans, and can be found:
 - a in Asia b in the Middle East everywhere
- 3 How long does it take for plastic to disappear from the oceans?
 - **a** 100–500 years **6** 500–1000 years **c** 1000–2000 years
- 4 How many sea birds die each year from eating plastic in the seas and oceans?
 - a ten million b five million one million
- 5 How many sea animals are killed by plastic every year?
 - 1.5 million b 15 million c 50 million
- 6 In the North Pacific Ocean, there is an area of floating rubbish on the water. How big is this area?
- Six times the size of the UK b 10 times the size of the UK c 20 times the size of the UK

Talk about it

2 Read the questions and write notes in the You column. Now ask two friends the questions. Make notes of their answers.

	You	Friend 1	Friend 2
1 How many plastic cups do you use in one week?			
2 How many plastic bags do you throw away in one week?			
3 Do you buy things wrapped in plastic?			
4 Do you recycle plastic at home?			



Speaking

3 Discuss the answers in Activity 2. Which answers surprised you? What could you do to improve how you use plastic?

I use too many plastic bags!

So do I!

We could take a fabric bag when we go shopping.

Language tip

Remember to use phrases such as So do I, So am I, to agree with something that a person says.



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1 Find seven words about the environment and pollution in the wordsearch.

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2	Choose four of the words from the wordsearch and write a sentence for each one.
	It is important to recycle things we can use again.
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