

Family quiz sheet

Ocean plastic pollution quiz

Instructions:

You can try the quiz at home with your family or set up a call and quiz your friends. Read the question aloud to your parent, carer, other member of your family or a friend. Explain that there are four possible answers to choose from. Ask them to choose only one – a, b, c, or d. Check the answer. The answers are hidden at the bottom of page 2.

1. Across Europe, what percentage of plastic is only used once?

a. 10%



b. 25%



c. 40%



d. 100%



2. Across the world, what percentage of plastic waste is recycled?

a. 9%



b. 21%



c. 46%



d. 100%



3. At least 8 million tonnes of plastic enters the oceans each year. This is the equivalent of dumping a truck load of plastic into the ocean every...?

a. minute

c. day

b. hour

d. week



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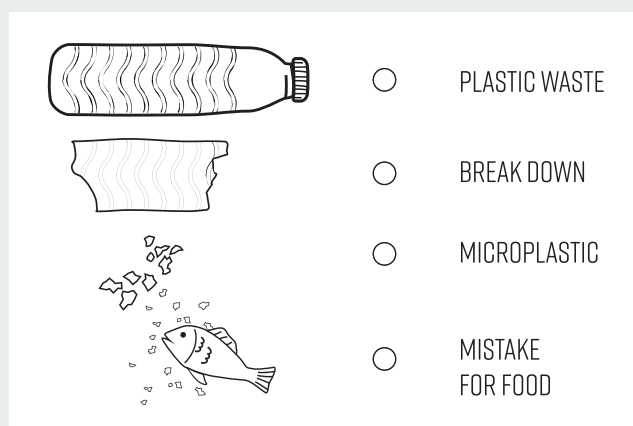
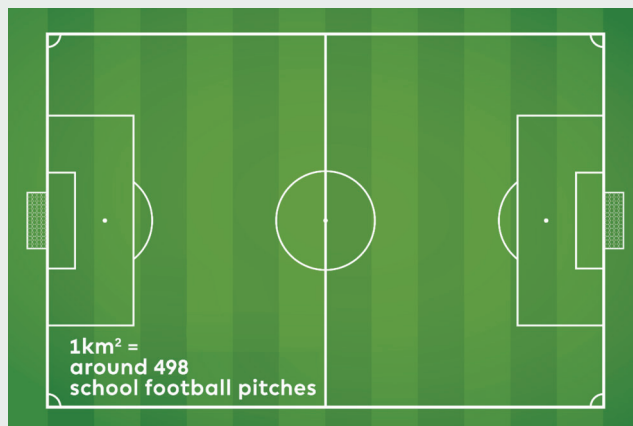
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4. It is estimated that there are now ? pieces of plastic per square kilometre of the world's oceans.

- a. 46 c. 4600
b. 460 d. 46000

5. How many years does it take for plastic to break down naturally so that it disappears?

- a. 5–10 years c. 200–400 years
b. 50–100 years d. 500–1000 years



Answers:

1. c) 40% - In Europe, almost half of plastic is only used once. We call plastic that is only used once (for less than a week) single-use plastic, which is also known as SUP.
2. a) 9% - This means 91% is not recycled and not all recycled plastic is completely biodegradable. This means plastic may exist as debris floating in the ocean for hundreds or thousands of years.

3. a) Every minute
4. d) 46,000
5. d) 500-1000 years - This means that the plastic in our oceans will not disappear for many years and is likely to cause health risks to wildlife.