

Saving Our Planet: A Guide to Sustainability

Learning objective: To explain what sustainability means and describe how we can protect our environment for the future.

Finn the dolphin needs your help to explain sustainability to his friends! Use the prompts below to write your own report. Think about how we use resources today and how we can make sure there are enough for people in the future.

Sustainability means using the world's resources carefully so that they do not run out...

Word bank: renewable · environment · recycle · conservation · pollution · carbon footprint · sustainable · therefore · consequently · furthermore

1. What is sustainability? Start by explaining the meaning of the word: 'Sustainability is important because...'

2. Which natural resources do we use every day and why must we protect them? 'Some of the most important resources we use are...'

3. How does pollution affect our planet and its wildlife? 'When we pollute the land or sea, it causes...'

4. What are some ways we can reduce waste at home or in school? 'One way we can be more sustainable is by...'

5. What is the difference between a renewable and a non-renewable resource? 'A renewable resource is different because...'

6. What would happen if we didn't change our habits? 'If we continue to use resources too quickly, then...'

7. What is your top tip for others to live more sustainably? 'My best piece of advice for helping the Earth is...'

Extension challenge: Can you research a real-life sustainable project in the UK and write a short paragraph about how it helps the environment?