

Finn's Future: Protecting Our Blue Planet

Learning objective: To write a persuasive report on the importance of sustainability and protecting our natural resources.

Follow the structure below to write your report. Use the word bank to help make your sentences flow smoothly. Ensure you explain the impact of human actions on the environment.

Finn the dolphin has travelled across all five oceans and noticed that our beautiful planet is changing, which is why we must learn how to live sustainably.

Word bank: consequently · furthermore · sustainability · environmentally-friendly · renewable energy · in contrast · consequently · non-renewable · significant impact · nevertheless · for this reason

1. Introduction: What is sustainability and why is it important for the future of our planet? Start with: 'Sustainability is the practice of...' (2 marks)

2. The Problem: Explain why using non-renewable resources like coal or oil causes long-term damage to the environment. Start with: 'A significant issue facing our world today is...' (3 marks)

3. The Solution: Describe one way we can live more sustainably, such as recycling or using solar power. Start with: 'To reduce our impact, we could...' (3 marks)

4. Economic Impact: If a local shop switched to biodegradable packaging, how might this affect the cost of goods for customers? Start with: 'Switching to sustainable materials might mean that...' (3 marks)

5. Evaluation: Compare and contrast life today with a future where everyone uses renewable energy. Start with: 'In the future, our lives would be different because...' (4 marks)

6. Conclusion: Justify why it is vital for every individual to take responsibility for their own waste. Start with: 'Ultimately, protecting our Earth is necessary because...' (3 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you are an advisor to a local council. Write a proposal explaining what might happen if the town does not change its habits within the next ten years. Use persuasive language to convince the council members to invest £5,000 in a new community recycling project.