

Finn's Guide to a Healthy Planet

Learning objective: To understand what sustainability is and why it is important for our world.

Read the text carefully. Use the word bank to help you understand the tricky words. Write your answers in the boxes provided.

Finn the dolphin loves to swim in our blue oceans. He has noticed that the world is changing. Sustainability means using things carefully so we do not run out. If we use too much water or electricity, there will be less for the future. Finn sees lots of plastic floating in the sea. This plastic can hurt sea animals. It is important to recycle items like bottles and paper. When we recycle, we turn old things into new things. This saves energy and keeps the planet clean. We can also save resources by turning off lights when we leave a room or walking instead of taking a car. Finn wants everyone to help. Small actions, like using a reusable water bottle or picking up litter, make a big difference. By being kind to the Earth, we protect the homes of all animals and people. We must share the planet wisely so it stays beautiful for a long, long time. If we all try our best, we can keep the world healthy and green for everyone to enjoy.

Word bank: Sustainability: keeping things going for a long time without running out. · Resources: things we use like water, wood, and energy. · Plastic: a material that takes a long time to break down. · Protect: to keep something safe from harm.

1. What does the word 'sustainability' mean according to the text? (2 marks)

2. Name two things we can do to help save resources. (2 marks)

3. Why is plastic in the ocean a problem for animals like Finn? (2 marks)

4. What might happen to the planet if we do not recycle or save energy? (2 marks)

5. Do you think it is easy for children to help the planet? Give one reason why. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Finn the dolphin swimming in a clean ocean. Show one thing you can do to help keep the ocean clean.



Extension challenge: Make a poster for your classroom. Write three simple rules to help your school be more sustainable, like 'Turn off the lights' or 'Use both sides of the paper'.