

To write and film a persuasive speech about plastic use and why we should act now).

Children to write own opening paragraph that is hard hitting and grabs the listener's attention. Ensure SC is met. Once individually written, children to come together as a group to merge their ideas into the best version of the opening paragraph for their speech and edit to ensure most powerful and impactful. One team/group will be first to video and edit footage using iPad.

Success Criteria:

Rhetorical question

Emotive verbs

Adverbials (place)

Modal verbs

- Did you realise that .
- Can you imagine....
- Have you ever considered that
- Did you know that ..
- Who wouldn't be ...
- Have you ever thought that/about ...

STATISTICS

- Did you know that we cannot cope with the amount of plastic waste we produce in the U.K? In 2020 the UK exported 537,000 tons of plastic waste to Turkey, Malaysia and Poland, to be disposed of without any regard for how this would be implemented?
- That's how many tons of plastic waste are being shipped abroad right now and burned illegally; affecting local communities and causing a health hazard to defenseless communities and wildlife.
- Are you aware that over 300 million tons of plastic have been produced within the UK for single use and that the U.K is the 2nd biggest producer of plastic waste per person, after the U.S.A?
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- Have you ever wondered about what happens to the plastic that ends up in landfill, as it doesn't properly decompose for up to 5,000 years- roughly 12.7 million tons of it end up in the ocean?
- Have you ever considered what impact there will be on marine life, which is frequently tangled in and poisoned by that toxic terror-plastic?
- Do you realise that each year, over 8 million pieces of plastic enter the world's oceans and more than 5 trillion pieces of micro plastic currently contaminate marine environments? Even amphipods living in the deepest part of the oceans (such as The Mariana Trench), are vulnerable to consuming pieces of plastic as they have to scavenge in order to survive, due to lack of light and food.
- Did you realise that we are at the end of that food chain as consumers of fish from the oceans?

HOOK THE READER IN

HARD HITTING OPENING PARAGRAPH

WHAT ARE THE MAIN POINTS OF CONCERN/INTENT-WRITE THE OPENING PARAGRAPH OF PLASTIC USE AND WHY WE SHOULD ACT NOW

FACTS ABOUT PLASTIC WASTE IN THE UK

- In 2020 UK exported 537,000 tonnes of plastic waste to Turkey, Malaysia and Poland.
- We can't deal with the amount of plastic waste we produce.
- We dump our waste to other countries that can't deal with it either so they burn it in the open air.
- Toxic fumes are caused by burning of plastic –health hazard to local communities and destroys/kills wildlife.
- UK claims to be a global leader in securing the planet for future generations-our children and grandchildren BUT
- The UK is the 2nd biggest producer of plastic waste per person after The U.S.A
- Less than 10% of the U.K's household packing is actually recycled in this country.
- In the U.K we throw away 455,000 tonnes of plastic bottles every year-equivalent 9.1 billion bottles.
- Have you ever considered that every plastic bottle recycled saves enough energy to power a 60 watt light bulb for 6 hours?
- Did you know that it's actually illegal for the government to send plastic waste to countries if it's not going to be recycled

Need to re-use plastic not have it for single use.

- 300 million tons of plastic produced each year, half consists of single-use items.
- Commonly consumed single-use plastics include beverage bottles, plastic shopping bags, disposable straws, disposable cups, and packaging for a massive variety of consumer products

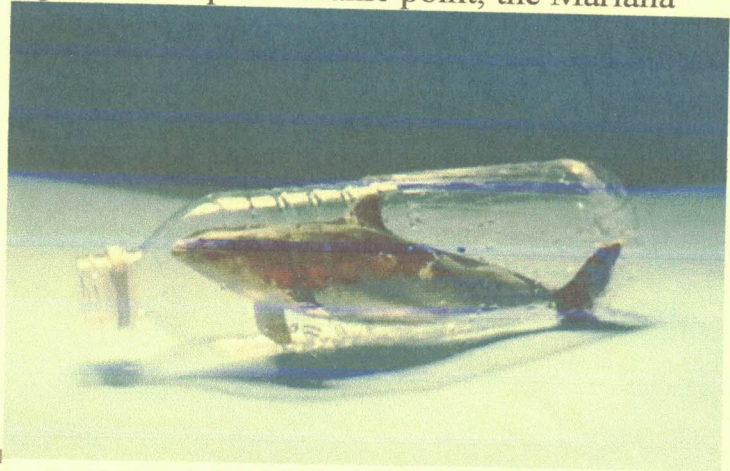
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- Since plastic products became popular in the 1950s, over 8 billion tons of plastic have been produced worldwide. This weight is equal to that of 47 million blue whales.

- While most plastic ends up in landfills, roughly 12.7 million tons end up in the ocean every year.

- Currently, there are more than 5 trillion pieces of plastic in our oceans.

- Even crustacean animals living in the deepest oceanic point, the Mariana



Trench, have ingested plastic.)

It ends up somewhere

- By the year 2050, there will be more plastic in the oceans than fish

- Over 35.4 million tons of plastic waste was generated in America in 2017. Of that, over 26 tons were disposed of in landfills, with only around 3,000 tons being recycled.

- Beverage companies around the world produce over 500 billion single-use plastic bottles each year.

- Many products that companies market as being biodegradable are often only biodegradable under very specific conditions—conditions that, more often than not, are not easily obtained.

- More than 30 countries around the world have banned single-use plastic grocery bags.

46,832 tonnes of plastic. Do I need to say that again? IN Shropshire, this is the amount of waste collected between April and June last year yet only 59% of it was recycled. Concerningly, most of this plastic ends up being burnt in foreign countries who get paid for accepting our rubbish or it ends up floating around in our seas. Marine life is being terrorised: poisoned, threatened; killed. We can make a difference and you could too.

In December 2018, Education Secretary Damien Hinds, urged all schools to eliminate their use of single use plastic by 2022. We face our biggest challenge ever. If it's in our homes and local businesses today, then it's seeping into our rivers tomorrow and snaking through our oceans forever. The problem seems huge, I agree: overwhelming, engulfing, irrepressible. We know plastic is critical for modern life; it gives us life-changing medical equipment such as surgical gloves and helps us to preserve food effectively. However, the majority of the plastic pollution in the world is caused by single-use, throw away items. Millions of droplets of careless actions.