CLASS ST1/ST2 - REVISION - 5

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Hello everyone! Instead of back at school we are all back on our computers…..without a doubt I miss you all and I'm certain you feel the same. Let's all keep our positive thoughts that schools will re-open and we will meet soon.

SAVING THE PLANET

Years ago rubbish wasn't such a huge problem because things like plastic and packaging on items you bought were not used so much as today. But now with everything so over packaged wrapped and disposable we are suffering the consequences of far too much waste. The trouble is that not everything can be recycled.

The fact that paper can be recycled and easy to dispose is great, but remember, paper is made from trees, which are important to the environment. The rainforests have been slowly disappearing for a while now. We need **them** not just because it helps with the climate. They are important as like all plants they give **us** oxygen. They are also a home to many animals **who** rely on them for their survival.

The best waste is organic, dead leaves; carrot peels, onion skins which all rot down and make fertile soil. This in turn will help the plants and vegetables giving **them** much needed food. So if you are able to have compost in your garden you'll be helping the environment and your garden will love you for it.

Acid rain is another serious problem it is damaging to plants and is caused by pollutants such as sulphur dioxide and nitrogen oxides. **These** come from the burning of coal, oil and gas.

Dropping litter is not just a lazy thing to do, **it** makes work for other people, it is bad for the environment and looks ugly. So think before you drop litter either put it in the bin or keep it until you find a bin.

When rivers and seas are polluted by waste we are not only stealing **their** beauty but we are spoiling it for ourselves too. Our health can also suffer. Sadly accidents do occur; oil slicks sometimes happen and pollute the environment. Animals tend to suffer the most from **these** incidents. We should really have in place something that will prevent so much destruction, rather than just waiting for it to happen, then trying to clean up the damage.

Nuclear waste and radioactive material leaking out from factories is very serious indeed, it can cause real harm. This is why it is the most worrying. Although we are trying to stop the hole in the ozone layer getting any bigger, nuclear waste is still a serious problem. The ozone layer protects us from harmful rays. So do we care enough about the earth we have inherited and our passing onto future generations? Or is it now all too late to do anything? Each one of us can make a difference and each and every one of us is responsible to the environment. **It** takes care of us; we should take care of it.

A) Say who or what the following words refer to.
- them _____
- us_____
- who _____
- them_____
- these _____
- it _____
- their _____
- these_____
- It_____

B) Go through the text and write some of the environmental problems mentioned in it.

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B) Say if the following statements are True or False. Correct the false ones.

1. Nowadays products are over packaged. _____

2. Some products are difficult to destroy. _____

3. Both animals and humans need trees to survive. _____

4. Acid rain is caused by organic waste. _____

5. The ozone layer and nuclear waste are two most serious problems. _____

6. It's useless for us to try and make a healthier environment. _____

Vocabulary:
Wrapped (wrap)   -διπλώνω
Disposal-dispose- αποκομιδή
Consequences- συνέπειες
Rely on—βασίζαμε σε
Organic---οργανικό
Carrot peels----φλούδες από καρότα η από άλλα φρούτα/ λαχανικά
Rot down--σαπίζουν
Fertile soil—γόνιμε έδαφος-χώμα
Sulphur dioxide—διοξείδιο του θειου
Spoiling—χαλάσει
Incidents -περιπτώσεις
Nuclear waste –πυρηνικά απόβλητα
Radioactive--ακτινοβολία
leaking out---διαρροή
Ozone layer ---στρώση όζοντος
Rays--ακτίνες