



Cultural Capital- Plastic and Pollution

Plastic is a popular material. It can be shaped into lots of things.

- strong
- light
- cheap (not a lot of money)
- waterproof

Vocabulary

environment	The environment is everything around us – like the trees, animals, water, air and even the sky!
pollution	Pollution is when people make the Earth dirty.
recycling	Recycling means using something again instead of throwing it away.



Plastic objects are a huge problem for ocean life. Living things eat plastic but it is bad for them. It can take up to one thousand years for plastic to break down in water.

What other materials could we use?



paper cups



metal bottles



silicone or
metal straws



hessian or
cloth bags

What are the types of pollution?



gases from
vehicles



littering



pesticides or
chemicals
used by
farmers