

# Morning Starters: Spring 1 - Plastic Planet

## Word Challenge

### Boggle

Make words from letters next to each other.

t	l	b	c
k	o	x	i
c	e	a	n

### Scoring:

- 3 points for words that relate to the plastic problem
- 1 point for all other words

## Grammar Challenge

Click text to edit 

Rewrite the sentence below, using different adjectives to those underlined.

In the polluted ocean, a curious dolphin tossed a shiny strip of plastic into its wide-open mouth, mistaking it for a colourful fish.

## Did You Know?

Playful dolphins have been spotted tossing and chasing floating plastic, unaware of its dangers. If swallowed, plastic can bruise or block their stomachs, leading to starvation and death. Toxic chemicals in plastic can interfere with their health and the environment they occupy. Protecting dolphins means keeping plastic out of the ocean by recycling and supporting clean-up efforts.



Credit: BBC One - Blue Planet Live

## Number Challenge

**Fact:** Worldwide, an estimated 100,000 marine animals are killed by plastic pollution each year.

Using the above fact, estimate the number of marine animals that are killed by plastic each day.

## Critical Thinking

What message, linked to plastic pollution, might appear on a dolphin's sign?

