

# Answers

1. Where does Earth Day take place? Tick **one**.

- ☐ In the UK
- ☐ In the United States of America
- ☐ In Europe
- ☒ **Worldwide**

2. What event is being organised for Earth Day this year? Tick **one**.

- ☐ Go without electricity for an hour
- ☒ **Clean up our towns and the countryside**
- ☐ Walk to work and school
- ☐ Plant a tree

3. **Find** and **copy** the word that means the same as '**breaks down naturally**'.

**biodegrade**

4. Why is it a bad thing that plastic stays in the ground for many years?

**Pupils' own responses, such as: It is bad that plastic stays in the ground for many years because it takes up space needed by plants and animals. Animals could also eat the plastics which can make them sick.**

5. Why do you think the writer has added 'just don't forget to water them!' to the section about growing your own fruit and vegetables?

**I think the author has added this to remind children to water their plants because if they don't they will die/won't grow.**

6. In your own words, explain the importance of eating less meat.

**Pupil's own responses such as: It is important to eat less meat as it means that there will be less animals in the world taking up space and using up food and water. There will also be less methane warming up the air and more space for forests and trees.**

**7. 'As you can see, there are lots of ways we can all take action and help the planet'**

Thinking about the advice in the text, what do you think would be the most difficult action to take? Explain your reasoning.

**Pupils' own responses, such as: I think it would be most difficult to eat less meat, because I really like meat with every meal and I don't really like vegetables.**

**8. Explain what you will do to be more environmentally friendly, using evidence from the text.**

**Pupils own responses, such as: I think the author chose to end the text with this so that the reader thinks they are talking directly to them and persuade them to think about what action they will take, so that they are also helping the environment.**