

For each of the text sets, there are some additional suggestions of articles listed and a few possible new questions the club might discuss. Note that these are just a few of the questions students could discuss—the best situation would be that they come up with their own questions—the ones below are only meant as a guide. Students can also discuss ideas rather than questions.

As always, please preview these sets before giving them to your students to make sure they are best-suited for your particular class.

Plastic Additional Text Set

What is the best way to handle plastic?

What is the biggest problem plastic causes?

What is the biggest cause of global warming? What’s the most important thing we can do about it?

- “Plastic Bags: To Ban or Not to Ban?”
<http://learningenglish.voanews.com/content/plastic-bags-to-ban-or-not-to-ban/2555541.html>
- “Plastic-Bag Bans Gaining Momentum Around the World” (by John Roach, *National Geographic News*, April 4, 2008)
http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2008/04/080404-plastic-bags_2.html
- “Ten Cents a Bag? That’s About Right” (By: Editorial Board of *New York Times* April 7, 2014)
<http://www.nytimes.com/2014/04/08/opinion/ten-cents-a-bag-thats-about-right.html>
- Responses written back to the *New York Times* editors:
http://www.nytimes.com/2014/04/14/opinion/paying-extra-for-a-plastic-bag-for-your-groceries.html?_r=1
- “Debate: Should schools require kids to bring in eco-friendly lunches?”
<http://www.timeforkids.com/news/debate/14111>
- “Haiti says No to Plastic” (By Jared Brenes, *Scholastic News*, October 10 , 2012)
<http://www.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=3757606>
- “Is it Time to Bag the Plastic?” by Elizabeth Rosenthal
http://www.nytimes.com/2013/05/19/sunday-review/should-america-bag-the-plastic-bag.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0
- “Tiny Plastic, Big Problem” by Alison Pearce Stevens
<https://student.societyforscience.org/article/tiny-plastic-big-problem>
- “Why Should We Not Ban Plastic Bags”
http://greenliving.lovetoknow.com/Why_Should_We_Not_Ban_Plastic_Bags
- “Why is Everyone Worried About Global Warming?” by Margaret Anderson (*Ask Magazine*, April 2008—entire issue is about Global Warming)
- “Should Cities Ban Plastic Bags?”
<http://www.wsj.com/articles/SB10000872396390444165804578006832478712400>

- “Science at Work: Oceanographer—Erik Van Sebille” by Lela Nargi (interview with scientist who studies trash in oceans) (*Odyssey Magazine*, Nov/Dec. 2014)
- “Reasons for Not Banning Plastic Bags”
<https://infogr.am/Reasons-for-banningnot-banning-pastic-bags>
- (video) “Paper or Plastic: Which hurt the environment more?” (*Discovery News*, December 19, 2013)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vhmg6l_WNSE
- “California Becomes First State to Ban Plastic Bags” by Katy Steinmetz
<http://time.com/3449887/california-plastic-bag-ban/>
- “Grocery Store Bans Plastic Bags”
http://www.educationworld.com/a_lesson/newsforyou/pdfs/newsforyou086.pdf