

1. Practice

New Store Sells **ONLY** Goods Made from Recycled Materials

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Los Angeles: A new store for home and office essentials has opened on 41 Aragon Street. My Planet Friendly sells cups for hot and cold beverages, utensils, plates, dishes, baking pans, napkins, and paper towels, all made from recycled paper or plastic. The store also sells office stationery, greeting cards, wrapping paper, and a selection of gifts made from recycled paper.

My Planet Friendly's store manager, Bayani Kazuki, told our reporter, 'Our goods are of a very high standard and meet strict quality control requirements. In addition, we are pleased to be playing our part in protecting the environment.' However, when asked about the price of his goods, Kazuki said, 'It's expensive to recycle materials. At the moment, producing goods from recycled materials is slightly more expensive than regular disposables and office stationery. In time, our prices will get lower and be more affordable. Try calling our store to get more information.'

You can see the wide range of goods on My Planet Friendly's Web site, www.myplanetfriendly.com. Goods can also be purchased online or by calling 561-555-0120.

1-1 Practice some of the words or phrases you heard in the conversation. Complete the sentences by dragging the correct verbs from the bank below into place. There are more verbs than you need.

The company (1) _____ all their office essentials online.

Their products (2) _____ very high standards and are of excellent quality.

Unfortunately it is often expensive to (3) _____ goods from recycled materials.

The factory tries to (4) _____ its part in protecting the environment and (5) _____ all its plastics.

(a) purchases

(b) meet

(c) sell

(d) produce

(e) play

(f) recycles

1-2 Choose the correct answer.

The word "part" in paragraph 2, line 4, is closest in meaning to

- Ⓐ piece
- Ⓑ role
- Ⓒ service
- Ⓓ detail

1-3 Choose the correct answer.

What is the purpose of the article?

- Ⓐ To announce the opening of a business
- Ⓑ To explain how to recycle materials
- Ⓒ To compare the prices of different products
- Ⓓ To describe the renovation of a store

1-4 Choose the correct answer.

What is NOT sold at My Planet Friendly?

- Ⓐ Utensils
- Ⓑ Drinks
- Ⓒ Paper goods
- Ⓓ Greeting cards

1-5 What is true about My Planet Friendly's products? Select all that apply.

- ☐ They are cheaper than those sold by other companies.
- ☐ They are meant for home and office use.
- ☐ They are environmentally friendly.
- ☐ They are designed by Mr. Kazuki.
- ☐ They are sold only online.

2. Quiz

2-1 Choose the correct answer.

According to the article, what is unique about My Planet Friendly's products?

- Ⓐ They are made only from recycled materials.
- Ⓑ They can be thrown away after use.
- Ⓒ They must be washed by hand.
- Ⓓ They are made exclusively of paper.

2-2 Choose the correct answer.

What is NOT mentioned as a way to purchase products from My Planet Friendly?

- Ⓐ Calling customer service
- Ⓑ Visiting a Web site
- Ⓒ Going to the store
- Ⓓ Ordering from a catalog

2-3 Choose the correct answer.

Who is Mr. Kazuki?

- Ⓐ An environmental correspondent
- Ⓑ A store manager
- Ⓒ A recycling plant employee
- Ⓓ A product designer

2-4 Choose the correct answer.

What does Mr. Kazuki say about My Planet Friendly's goods?

- Ⓐ They have to be recycled.
- Ⓑ They cannot be found anywhere else.
- Ⓒ They are of high quality.
- Ⓓ They are cheaper than those sold in other stores.

2-5 Choose the correct answer.

What is predicted about My Planet Friendly?

- Ⓐ It will lower its prices.
- Ⓑ It will open additional stores.
- Ⓒ It will expand its selection of products.
- Ⓓ It will hire a new store manager.