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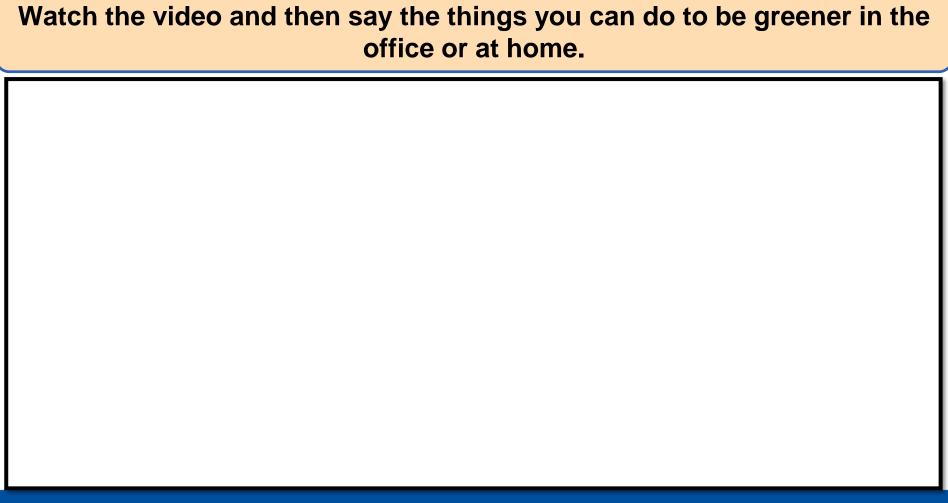
Chapter 15 Session B



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ENVIRONMENT





7 Challenge Read Jason's diary entry. He wrote it three years ago when he was 12.



There are a lot of rules in my house. I'm not allowed to use the internet whenever I like. My parents let me go out during the week, but they make me go to bed at nine o'clock. They make me do homework every night and they don't let me leave it until the weekend. They don't allow me to use my phone at the dinner table.

Jason is now 15. Complete his description of his life when he was 12.



8 Challenge Write questions and answers about Jason's life when he was 12. Use the verbs in the box.

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- 1. Did his parents let him use the internet whenever he liked? No, they didn't let him use the internet whenever he liked.
- 2. Was he allowed to go out during the week? Yes, he was allowed to go out during the week.
- 3. Did they make him go to bed at nine o'clock? Yes, they made him go to bed at nine o'clock.
- 4. Did they make him do homework every night? Yes, they made him do homework every night.
- 5. Did they allow him to leave it until the weekend? No, they didn't allow him to leave it until the weekend.
- 6. Did they let him use his phone at the dinner table? No, they didn't let him use his phone at the dinner table.



My green inspiration

By Greengirl

Each week I write about someone or something that's helping the environment. This week I've been finding out all about amazing bamboo bikes.



1 Bamboo bikes have been around since 1896. Only the frame is made of bamboo. They're a great choice if you care about the environment, plus there are some top-class ones.

2 Bamboo bikes are really eco-friendly, unlike traditional metal ones. Bamboo grows really fast (some species can grow 4 cm an hour!) and it can be grown anywhere without pesticides. There's no deforestation. Once a year, you cut off what you need and the plant keeps growing.

3 As well as being lighter than most metal bikes, they're smooth to ride because the bamboo frame is flexible. While I was testing one, I hit a hole in the ground, but I hardly noticed it.

4 You can get pretty much any type of bike you want - mountain bike, racing bike, hybrid ... You can design your own as well!

5 At the moment, they're only sold online - but that could change in the future.

6 Yes! There are lots of websites where you can buy kits that contain everything you need. When I looked at the websites, I saw that some companies also run workshops to help you build your bamboo bike. So, bamboo bikes are definitely the way to go!

A blog

1 Read the blog. Does the blogger think bamboo bikes are a good idea?

Yes, she thinks it's amazing!

2 Read the blog again. Match questions a–f with paragraphs 1–6.

a	Why are th	ey good for th	e environment?	PARAGRAPH 2
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- **b** Where can you get them? PARAGRAPH 5
- c What other advantages are there? PARAGRAPH 3
- d Can you make your own? PARAGRAPH 6
- e What exactly are they? PARAGRAPH 1
- f What types are there? PARAGRAPH 4

- 3 Match 1–5 to sentences that mean the same in the text. Why are the sentences in the text more appropriate for a blog?
 - **1** Bamboo bikes are definitely the best option.
 - So, bamboo bikes are definitely the way to go!
 - 2 It is possible to obtain many types of bicycle.
 You can get pretty much any type of bike you want mountain bike, racing bike, hybrid ...
 - **3** There are many websites that sell complete kits for building bamboo bicycles.
 - There are lots of websites where you can buy kits that contain everything you need.

- 3 Match 1–5 to sentences that mean the same in the text. Why are the sentences in the text more appropriate for a blog?
 - 4 Next week, I will write about sunglasses.

Next week I'll be writing about sunglasses.

5 In addition, it is possible to design a bicycle for your specific needs.

You can design your own as well!

4 Complete the sentences with as well as, as well, or, plus, but or also.

- 1 The bikes are not expensive, (...) they last a long time.
- 2 (...) lasting a long time, they're not expensive. As well as
- 3 The bikes are not expensive and they last a long time (...).
- 4 The bikes are not expensive, and they (...) last a also long time.
- **5** You can either buy them online (...) in a store.
- **6** You can buy them online, (...) not in a store. **but**

6 Write a blog about an environmentally friendly product. Follow the steps in the Skills boost.

SKILLS BOOST



THINK

Decide which product you want to blog about.

PREPARE

- **1** Find all the information and pictures you need.
- 2 Organize your information in a logical order. Look at the model to help you.
- 3 Think about where you could link sentences.

WRITE

Write a short introduction, the main part of your blog entry and your conclusion.

CHECK

Read your blog and answer the questions.

- **1** Did you use the correct style for a blog?
- **2** Did you organize your blog clearly?
- **3** Did you use connectors of addition and contrast?
- 4 Did you use the passive voice?

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5 Look at the fact file. Then rewrite the sentences using the words in parentheses. Write three more sentences using too, but and as well.

Look, no plastic!

- The frames in these sunglasses are made from wood from old skateboards.
- The wood is strong and flexible. The sunglasses are very light.
- Old skateboards are repurposed to make the frames, so they aren't thrown away.
- They're available in different styles.
- If you throw the frame away, it doesn't harm the environment. No plastic is used.

Skateboard wood is very strong. It's flexible. (as well as)

As well as being very strong, skateboard wood is flexible.

2 You don't need to use plastic. You don't need to use much metal. (or)

You don't need to use plastic or much metal.

The frame is made of wood so it's eco-friendly.

There are some great designs. (plus)

The frame is made of wood so it's eco-friendly, plus there are some great designs.

4 The sunglasses look cool. No trees were cut down to make them. (also)
The sunglasses look cool and also no trees were cut down to make them.

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HOMEWORK

- Reinforcement Circle the correct option.

 Choose a smiley face , a neutral face or an unhappy face to show what you think.
 - 1 My parents don't let/make me play loud music.
 - 2 My parents let /make me stay out until midnight on Saturdays.
 - 3 My parents **let/make** me clean my room every week.
 - 4 Our teacher **lets/makes** us take a test every week.
 - Our teacher doesn't let/make us use our phones in class.
 - 6 Our school lets/makes us recycle all our paper.

