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# Say No to Plastic Waste

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## Suggested Teaching and Learning

**Text Type:** Non-Fiction

**Genre:** Description

**Suggested Reading Recovery Level:** 4

**Word Count:** 115

### ACARA F-1 references

**Learning Areas:** English; Humanities and Social Sciences

**General Capabilities:** Literacy; Ethical Understanding

**Cross Curriculum Priorities:** Sustainability

### Understanding Texts

- Before reading, build background knowledge with a rich book introduction. Ensure students know that there is a lot made from plastic that we need; that some plastic cannot be recycled and that plastic waste can be harmful to the environment, in particular the wildlife. \*UnT4, UnT5
- After reading, have students recall the ways that plastic can become pollution and harm the environment. \*UnT4, UnT5
- Aim to end the discussion with positive messaging around alternatives to plastic bags.

**Vocabulary:** cotton, environment, fort, helmet, plastic, recycle

**High Frequency Words:** can, from, good, look, my, no, the, this, to, we, will

### Phonic Knowledge and Word Recognition + Phonological Awareness

- Locate the words made and safe. Use these two words to discuss the CVCe spelling rule and the way the vowel sounds. If time permits, make both words with magnetic letters. Read both words with and without the e and notice the way the medial vowel sound changes. \*PKW5
- Locate the word plastic. Notice the initial pl blend. Make a list of other words that start with pl such as please, play and plum.

\*National Literacy Learning Progressions



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# Plastic

This is plastic.



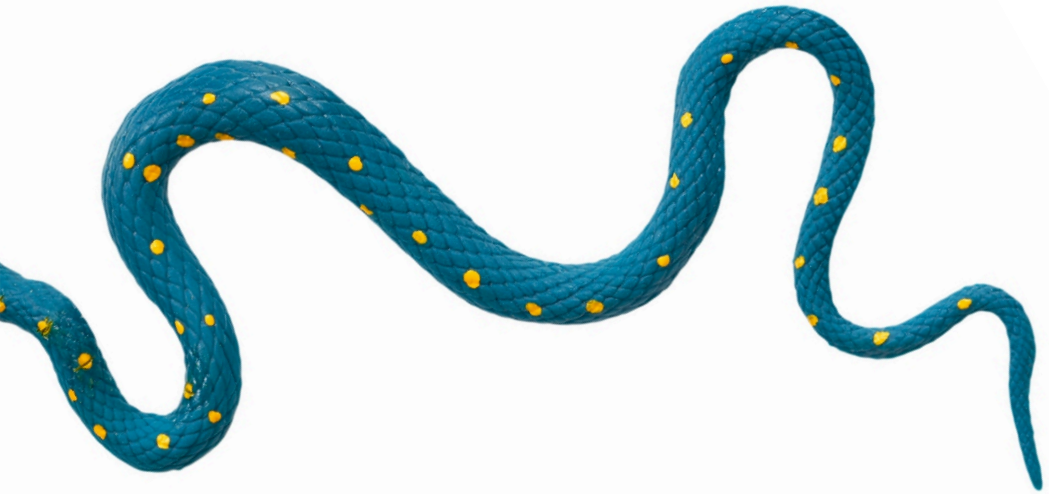
This is plastic.



This is plastic too!







# We need plastic

My helmet is made from plastic. My helmet will keep me safe.





Look at the **fort**.

The fort is made from plastic. I am safe in the fort.



# Plastic pollution

Some plastic is not good for the **environment**.

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# Glossary



environment



fort



recycle



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**Say No to Plastic Waste** is an early informational text that addresses single use plastic and the damage it can do to the environment. The text suggests alternatives to plastics.

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