

4A COMMUNICATIVE How green are you?

- 1 **When you vote, how important to you are the parties' policies on the environment?**
 - a Not important. It's something I never think about.
 - b A bit. But I think that there are more important issues.
 - c Very important. The environment affects everybody.
- 2 **Do you try and encourage your friends and family to be 'greener'?**
 - a No, I have more important things to worry about!
 - b Sometimes I remind them to recycle bottles or use less water.
 - c All the time! It's our responsibility to protect our planet.
- 3 **Where do you buy your clothes?**
 - a The shops which are the cheapest, e.g. Primark.
 - b It depends. I try not to buy from companies that exploit their workers.
 - c I buy most of my clothes in second-hand shops.
- 4 **How many of your light bulbs at home are energy-saving?**
 - a None / Very few of them.
 - b About half of them.
 - c Most / All of them.
- 5 **How many cars does your family have?**
 - a Two or more.
 - b One.
 - c We don't have a car. We walk, cycle, or use public transport.
- 6 **If you or your family have a car, what car is it?**
 - a A 4x4 / a Hummer / a sports car.
 - b A fuel-efficient car which uses unleaded petrol.
 - c A hybrid or electric car.
- 7 **What cleaning products does your family use?**
 - a Whatever is cheapest in the supermarket or the ones I think work best.
 - b Eco-friendly products which protect the environment.
 - c I make my own, e.g. with lemon, soda, and vinegar.



- 8 **How do you feel about organic food?**
 - a I'm not sure what it actually is.
 - b It's difficult to buy it, but I get it when I can.
 - c It's the only food I buy, even though it's expensive.
- 9 **What did you have for lunch yesterday?**
 - a Fast food or a takeaway, e.g. a pizza, hamburger, or sandwich.
 - b A pre-packaged / ready-cooked meal.
 - c A meal I cooked myself with natural ingredients.
- 10 **What's your attitude to packaging?**
 - a I want it to look good and protect the product.
 - b I think some packaging is necessary.
 - c I try to avoid buying things with a lot of packaging.
- 11 **Do you try to save water?**
 - a Never. It's not something I worry about.
 - b I sometimes remember to turn off the water while I brush my teeth.
 - c I'm very careful about water. I only have showers and I never leave the tap running.
- 12 **What do you do with books, clothes, and other things you don't need any longer?**
 - a I throw them away.
 - b I sell them on eBay or to friends.
 - c I give them to charities.
- 13 **How much of your rubbish do you recycle?**
 - a I can't be bothered to recycle. I throw everything into the same bin.
 - b I separate my rubbish and take the glass to the bottle bank.
 - c I'm very good at recycling glass, paper, and plastic.
- 14 **What's your attitude to travelling by plane?**
 - a I love flying. It's my favourite form of transport.
 - b I fly when necessary but I choose other forms of transport wherever possible.
 - c I hardly ever fly because I know it's bad for the environment.
- 15 **When you go to the supermarket, how often do you take a shopping bag with you?**
 - a I never remember.
 - b I sometimes remember.
 - c I always remember.



SCORES

Mostly a's You are a little selfish when it comes to the environment! Your actions have a negative impact on the world, so why not try and change a few things about your lifestyle? The planet will be a much better place if you do!

Mostly b's You're worried about the environment and the planet, so you try and do things to improve it. However, you could make more of an effort.

Mostly c's Congratulations. If only more people thought like you! Everything you do in life is directed at making the planet a better place to live. But don't be too forceful with your ideas. Think about how you can realistically and gently persuade others to be 'greener'.