

Fourth Grade SS Academic Packet

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Week 4
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OCPS Distance Learning Packet
Grade 4 Social Studies: Should your town ban the sale of plastic water bottles?

Standards

SS.4.C.2.2 Identify ways citizens work together to influence government and help solve community and state problems.

Day	Task	Task Instructions
1	Background Essay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Preview the text, <i>Should your town ban the sale of plastic water bottles?</i> ● Preview bold vocabulary (tap water, recycle, landfills, ban). ● Read the text. ● Complete the “Getting the Gist” activity.
2	Understanding the Question	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Complete “Understanding the Question.” ● Select one of the buckets to answer the question, Ban Plastic Water Bottles or Don’t Ban Plastic Water Bottles
3	Document Analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Read the source and text from Document A- <i>Plastic Water Bottles by the Numbers</i>. ● Annotate, or mark the text, as you read to make meaning of the document. ● Respond to “Document Analysis” questions.
4	Getting Ready to Write	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Decide if you choose “ban or do not ban.” ● Fill in two pieces of evidence that support this claim. ● Use the sentence starters, “Our town should ban (or not ban) plastic water bottles because...” to write an explanation of why your evidence supports your claim.
5	Write	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Use your planning sheet from Day 4, write a paragraph responding to the question, <i>Should your town ban the sale of plastic water bottles?</i> ● Include a main idea, evidence, elaboration, transitions and a conclusion ● Edit & revise your paragraph

DBQ Word Glossary -

***DBQ - Document Based Question**

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Day 1 Should Your Town Ban the Sale of Plastic Water Bottles?

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Americans are in love with bottled water. Back in the 1970s, your grandparents drank water that came straight from the faucet. Today, the average American drinks at least one plastic bottle of water every day.

Why Has Bottled Water Become So Popular?

Bottled water has become popular for several reasons. Some say it is about taste. But in taste tests around the country, people often can't tell the difference between bottled water and **tap water**.

Others say it is about purity. They believe that water in a plastic bottle is cleaner. However, tap water in many big cities, like New York and San Francisco, is actually cleaner than much bottled water.

A third reason why water bottles have become popular is convenience. When a kid's mom packs her lunch, it's so simple to put a plastic bottle of water in the lunchbox.



Why Are Plastic Water Bottles a Problem?

The popularity of bottled water has created a problem across the United States and around the world. That problem is water-bottle trash. It is quite easy to **recycle** plastic water bottles, but many people don't do it. Bottles that are put in trash cans often end up in **landfills**.

What Can Be Done?

A few cities have decided to take action. In 2013, Concord, Massachusetts, became the first American city to **ban** the sale of small plastic water bottles. As of 2019, more than 100 American cities have placed some

limits on selling plastic bottled water. But many towns and cities have done nothing.

Your Task

Examine the document that follows. Think about the pros and cons of plastic water bottles. Then answer the question: *Should your town ban the sale of plastic water bottles?*

Getting the Gist: Using the sentence starters below, write a three-sentence summary of this Background Essay.

Plastic water bottles are popular for three reasons: _____,
_____, and _____.

However, plastic water bottles are a problem because _____
_____.

One possible solution is _____
_____.

Understanding the Question and Pre-Bucketing

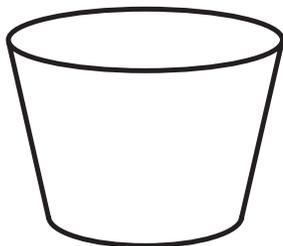
Understanding the Question

1. What is the Micro-Q question?
2. Which term in the question needs to be defined?
3. Rewrite the question in your own words.

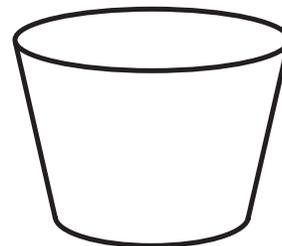
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Pre-Bucketing

Directions: A bucket is a place to collect evidence to support your thesis. Using clues from the Micro-Q question, write labels under the buckets. You will choose one of these buckets to write your paragraph.



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Day 3

Document A: Plastic Water Bottles by the Numbers

Source: Compiled from various sources.

Number of plastic water bottles sold in US in 2016	50,000,000,000
Percent of US plastic water bottles recycled in 2016	30%
Percent of US plastic water bottles <u>not</u> recycled in 2016	70%
Years it takes a plastic water bottle to disintegrate	500 to 700
Cost for one person to drink bottled water for one year*	\$1,460
Cost for one person to drink the same amount of tap water for one year	50 cents

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*calculated at eight 50-cent 8-oz bottles per day

Document Analysis

1. How many plastic water bottles were sold in the US in 2016?
2. What percent of these bottles was not recycled?
3. How long does it take a plastic water bottle to disintegrate, or break down?
4. How much does it cost one person to drink bottled water for one year?
5. How much does it cost one person to drink the same amount of tap water for one year?
6. Should the sale of plastic water bottles be banned in your town? Use evidence from this document to support your answer.

Day 4

Bucketing—Getting Ready to Write

Bucketing

Directions: After examining Document A, decide which argument (“ban” or “do not ban”) you want to make. Write “ban” OR “do not ban” on the line under your bucket. Then write in two pieces of evidence from Document A. Finally, use the sentence starter to write a short argument.

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Evidence 1: _____

Evidence 2: _____

Argument: Our town should ban (or not ban) plastic water bottles
because _____

_____ **Ban or Do Not Ban** _____