

The Dolphin Diploma Quiz

Question 5 - Linked activity ideas for teachers and pupils



Write a letter to help dolphins all around the world

Because many whales and dolphins travel long distances across country boundaries they need to be looked after by all countries around the world. This means that the decision makers of each country have to agree on how they can protect whales and dolphins and then create international laws to try and make sure that everyone follows the rules.

Countries need to work together and agree to protect whales and dolphins, wherever they are in the world.

What to do...

Choose a country and write a letter explaining some of the problems whales and dolphins face and what needs to be done. Look in the "All About Dolphin" manual for some examples and information.

Use paragraphs to separate the parts of the letter. Leave a space between each paragraph.

1. Explain why you are writing the letter
2. Gives reasons why whales and dolphins are special
3. Explain some of the threats that are faced by dolphins
4. Write about how the problems can be solved
5. Give examples of agreements between countries which already exist and why they are a good thing
6. Write about one thing you are going to do to help the dolphins

Or...

Write a letter to a person who you think could make a difference to dolphins. Choose a person you think needs to know more about dolphins and write a letter to him or her, or think of a person who could help you raise awareness about dolphins and write a letter asking him or her for support.

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5. Explain how the person you are writing to can help
6. Write about one thing you are going to do to help the dolphins





Letter Template

School Address

Date

Address of person you are writing to (the "Addressee")

Dear

Paragraph1

Paragraph2

Paragraph3

Paragraph4

Paragraph5

Paragraph6

Yours sincerely,

Your name



Teacher's Notes

See letter template on page 3.

Explain to the children that they don't need to include the paragraph numbers in their letter, they are just there to help them.

Encourage them to create paragraphs which are a few sentences long and follow a topic.

Let them work in pairs to create a letter.