

1 Complete the text with the appropriate words.

In recent years, worries over climate change have ¹ triggered a growth in the renewable energy industry. Oil production will gradually become ² obsolete as it makes way for greener energy sources. Offshore wind farms are at the ³ core of renewable energy and some companies are now testing a ⁴ prototype for a floating wind turbine. However, this development is not going to be ⁵ launched as operators still have to overcome some ⁶ drawbacks such as the stability of the turbine. Hydrogen is another form of green energy that could lead to ⁷ toxic a gas in public transport. Again, there have been some ⁸ radical in science in this area, but it is not going to be readily available for a few years.

2 Match the sentence beginnings (1–8) and endings (A–K). There are three extra endings.

- 1 The police received a hostile D.
 - 2 I don't think this new design will catch A.
 - 3 Many scientists believe difficult times will lie K.
 - 4 A lot of governments look upon E.
 - 5 I believe our government will have done away F.
 - 6 It's always important to check G.
 - 7 All this single-use plastic in your rubbish makes it apparent H.
 - 8 If household air conditioning systems are not cleaned, they can emit I.
- A on at all, the bag is not practical and it's ugly.
 B that you don't care much about the environment.
 C on because it's beautifully made and so original.
 D reaction from the protesters as they tried to end the march.
 E environmental protesters as a nuisance.
 F out the energy efficiency rating of an electrical appliance before you buy it.
 G ahead and we'll join you later.
 H toxic fumes that can cause dizziness or nausea.
 I ahead if we don't pay more attention to climate change issues.
 J with this new idea because I'm sure it'll be successful.
 K with cars that run on petrol or diesel by 2035.

3 Complete the sentences with the word anagrams in the box.

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 lhestoi freniori tnsooruo iøetx nalbeluvre

- 1 Did you know that carbon monoxide is a very toxic gas?
- 2 In science fiction films, why are aliens often considered to be a destructive species?

- 3 It will soon become clear that this new government scheme is poorly planned. There are already big problems with it.
- 4 This company is known for not following government regulations on toxic waste management.
- 5 It's great to see so many young people are concerned of the world's environmental issues and are keen to solve them.
- 6 I think this climate activist's social media campaign is going to take off very fast. She already has thousands of followers.
- 7 Why aren't we doing more to protect endangered species that are so vulnerable and close to extinction?
- 8 These boots are perfect for a country walk, you won't find a more practical pair anywhere. You should buy them now.
- 9 I can't make up my mind which bag to buy; the quality of this one is poor, but it's made from recycled material which is better.

4 Complete the conversation with the words in the box. Add the correct preposition where necessary. There are three extra words.

catching come across conscious do away
 drawback foolish inferior launch market
 obsolete radical toxic

- Dean:** Did you ¹ launch your environmental campaign last month?
- Lily:** Yes, I did. The social media campaign is ² taking off and we have over five hundred followers now. By the end of this week we'll have visited every primary classroom in the area. We're giving the kids ideas about how to be more environmentally friendly. Actually, I felt a bit ³ conscious at times because the kids are all clearly very ⁴ radical of these issues. I hope we didn't ⁵ do away condescending.
- Dean:** I'm sure you didn't. Did you give them any ⁶ new ideas?
- Lily:** Not really. But we told them about the dangers of old batteries and how they can leak ⁷ toxic chemicals. We also reminded them that ⁸ obsolete electronic devices, like old computers and phones can be recycled, so they shouldn't just throw them away.
- Dean:** That makes sense. I saw that the cafe is going to ⁹ use plastic straws and paper cups, which is another great idea.
- Lily:** It is, isn't it?

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- 2 obsolete
- 3 cutting edge
- 4 prototype
- 5 launched
- 6 drawbacks
- 7 technological advances
- 8 breakthroughs

2

- 2 A
- 3 I
- 4 E
- 5 K
- 6 F
- 7 B
- 8 H

3

- 2 hostile
- 3 apparent
- 4 notorious
- 5 conscious
- 6 catch on
- 7 vulnerable
- 8 appropriate
- 9 inferior

4

- 2 catching on
- 3 foolish
- 4 conscious
- 5 come across as
- 6 radical
- 7 toxic
- 8 obsolete
- 9 do away with