3: CHALLENGING GOVERNME

NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF YOUR VOICE!





USING EVERYTHING YOU HAVE LEARNT SO FAR, WRITE A LETTER TO YOUR LOCAL MP.

Your local MP has been chosen to represent YOU and the community you live in. Let's put them to work and ask for their support!

INTRODUCE YOURSELF & THE CAMPAIGN.

INTRODUCE THE ISSUE & YOUR FINDINGS.

ASK FOR THEIR HELP.

Research your local MP: you can track them down on the gov.uk website.

Find your MP's address: make a note of it here...

It's time to write your letter:

When writing your letter you need to make the message personal to you and relevant to your MP. You can do this by adding a round up of the work you have been doing at school to eliminate single-use plastics.

Let them know about the events you have organised, how many people turned up, how many bottles and cans were found during your trash mob and how your school is working together to stop plastic pollution escaping into the environment.

SHARE THE FACTS:

Let them know why the work you are doing is so important.

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ASK FOR THEIR HELP:

It is essential that you ask your MP to do something in response to your letter.

Ask your MP to write to the Secretary of State for the Environment asking what steps the Government are taking to reduce plastic pollution.

SIGN & SEND:

There are just three steps left before your letter is ready to send: Ask your MP for a reply & add the date to your letter, remember to sign off with "yours sincerely".

NUMBER OF LETTERS SENT TO PARLIAMENT?

WANT TO TAKE THIS OBJECTIVE ONE STEP FURTHER?

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Why not let your local newspaper know what you have been doing? Send them a mini report and photograph. This will strengthen the impact of your letter.

Who knows, your letter could get a mention in Parliament!

OBJECTIVE COMPLETE?

REMEMBER TO SEND US YOUR MISSION REPORT & PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCE TO COMPLETE THE OBJECTIVE.



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YOUR ADDRESS HERE:	

YOUR MP'S ADDRESS HERE:	
THE DATE:	
DEAR	
LETTER CONTENT:	
LOOK AT STEP #2 FOR HELP IF NEEDED	
SIGN & SEND:	
ASK YOUR MP FOR A REPLY TO YOUR LETTER AND REMEMBER TO SIGN	N OFF WITH 'YOURS SINCERELY'

Surfers Against Sewage is a marine conservation and campaigning charity inspiring, uniting and empowering communities to protect oceans, waves beaches and wildlife. Plastic pollution in our oceans is the 'new sewage'. Blighting our beaches and strangling our seashores it reaches every part of our oceans. It is one of the biggest global environmental threats of our age and fighting it together is our priority issue.

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