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Key vocabulary	Explanation/ definition	Key knowledge		
Ocean	There are five oceans which are not separated and all flow into each other. They are made of five distinct layers which all have their own characteristics including: temperature light and the creatures living within them.	Identify the key oceans and seas on our planet.		
Sea	Smaller than oceans. Are usually located where the land and ocean meet.	Recognise the different climates of these key areas.		
The Sunlight Zone	Zone of the ocean extending from the surface to around 200m below. Lots of light, heat and a wide variety of life.	Name the layers of the ocean.		
The Twilight Zone	Zone of the ocean that is up to 1000m below the surface. Only faint sun rays reach here and it is home to a range of sea animals.	Explain the different wildlife you would find in each layer and why this is the case.		
The Midnight Zone	Makes up 90% of the ocean and is up to 4000m below. There is no sunlight here but light can be seen from bioluminescent creatures.	Understand the impact humans have on the planet's oceans with regards to plastic pollution.		
The Abyss	Up to 6000m below the surface. Contains 75% of the ocean bed, which is covered with thick mud made from the remains of dead animals.	Be able to define plastic pollution and discuss the impact it will have in the future if a change isn't made.		
The Trenches	Up to 11,000m below the surface. A series of underwater canyons.	Discuss ways that the world is changing their view on plastic and its distribution and come up with their own solutions/ideas.		
Continental Shelf	The area of seabed around a large land mass where the sea is shallow compared with the open ocean.	To understand key aspects of human geography including the distribution of natural and man-made resources.		