



ACTIVITY SHEET

EPISODE 5: VOCABULARY RANGE

Practise and consolidate your learning about vocabulary and word forms by completing our activities. The answers for all activities are on the last 2 pages.

ACTIVITY 1

Identify the nominal groups and apposition in the following paragraph.

Local communities are actively participating in various recycling programs to dispose of waste materials responsibly. The most common is household or domestic recycling. Many councils provide kerbside collection services for newspapers, glass, aluminium cans and plastic. These recyclables can significantly reduce the volume of rubbish which ends up in landfill sites. Another initiative, rapidly developing into a popular industry, is the recycling of green waste. This consists of shredding leaves, branches, trees and other materials to produce landscaping mulch, which serves to enrich soils in gardens and parks.



ACTIVITY 2

Complete the sentences with the correct noun form of the verbs or adjectives in brackets.

1. The _____ (amend) to the bill was seen as a step in the right direction.
2. A vegetarian diet can lead to a _____ (reduce) in the chances of developing chronic diseases.
3. The _____ (decide) of the local council to suspend the burn off of bushland was welcomed by all.
4. There is no doubt that strict _____ (censor) of the internet is necessary for the sake of children.
5. The higher _____ (consume) of fatty foods was a worrying trend.
6. All graduating students had to rate the _____ (deep) of their learning in the exit survey.
7. The statistics showed that the _____ (produce) of iron ore dropped by 50% in 2009.
8. The line graph shows a slight _____ (different) between then number of cinema goers and theatre attendees.
9. A thorough _____ (re-evaluate) of the health care system was long overdue.
10. The findings from the research on childhood obesity will have _____ (implicate) for future generations.



ACTIVITY 1 ANSWERS

Nominal groups

Local communities are actively participating in various recycling programs to dispose of waste materials responsibly.

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| Nominal Groups | |
| premodifier + head noun | Local communities |

The most common is household or domestic recycling.

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| Nominal Groups | |
| premodifier + head noun | The most common |
| premodifier + head noun | household or domestic recycling |

Many councils provide kerbside collection services for newspapers, glass, aluminium cans and plastic.

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| Nominal Groups | |
| premodifier + head noun | Many councils |
| premodifier + head noun | kerbside collection services |
| head noun + prepositional phrase | services for newspapers, glass, aluminium cans and plastic |

These recyclables can significantly reduce the volume of rubbish which ends up in landfill sites.

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| Nominal Groups | |
| premodifier + head noun | These recyclables |
| head noun + prepositional phrase | the volume of rubbish |

Another initiative, rapidly developing into a popular industry, is the recycling of green waste.

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| Nominal Groups | |
| premodifier + head noun | Another initiative |
| noun phrase + apposition | Another initiative rapidly developing into a popular industry |
| premodifier + head noun | the recycling |
| head noun + prepositional phrase | recycling of green waste |

This consists of shredding leaves, branches, trees and other materials to produce landscaping mulch, which serves to enrich soils in gardens and parks.

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| Nominal Groups | |
| head noun | This |
| head noun + prepositional phrase | soils in gardens and parks |



ACTIVITY 2 ANSWERS

1. amendment
2. reduction
3. decision
4. censorship
5. consumption
6. depth
7. production
8. difference
9. re-evaluation
10. implications

