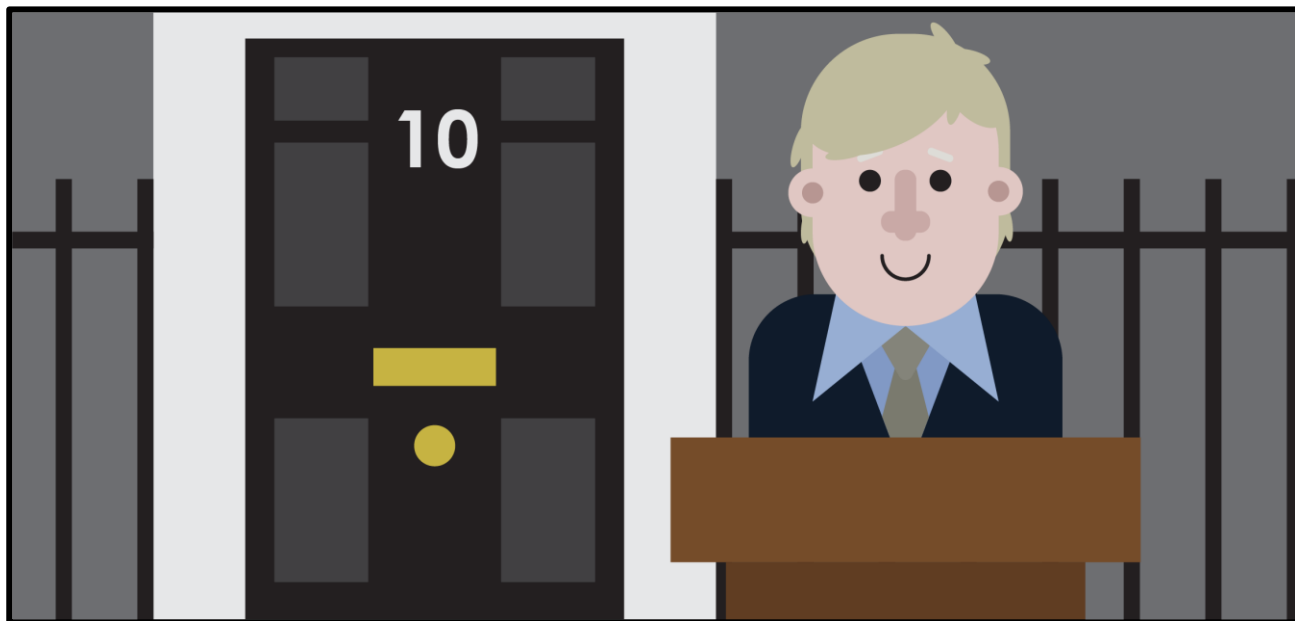


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YR2 Letter

Dear Prime Minister by Beth Gascoigne-Owens



The Prime Minister of the United Kingdom (UK) has to make decisions about how things should work in the UK. They can't do this by themselves. They choose people to help them. This group of people are called the 'cabinet'. In July 2019, Boris Johnson became the latest Prime Minister of the UK. Did you know you can write to the Prime Minister at any time? What would you like to ask them or tell them? Here's an example of a letter you might use to help you.

Q1

Who are the 'cabinet'?

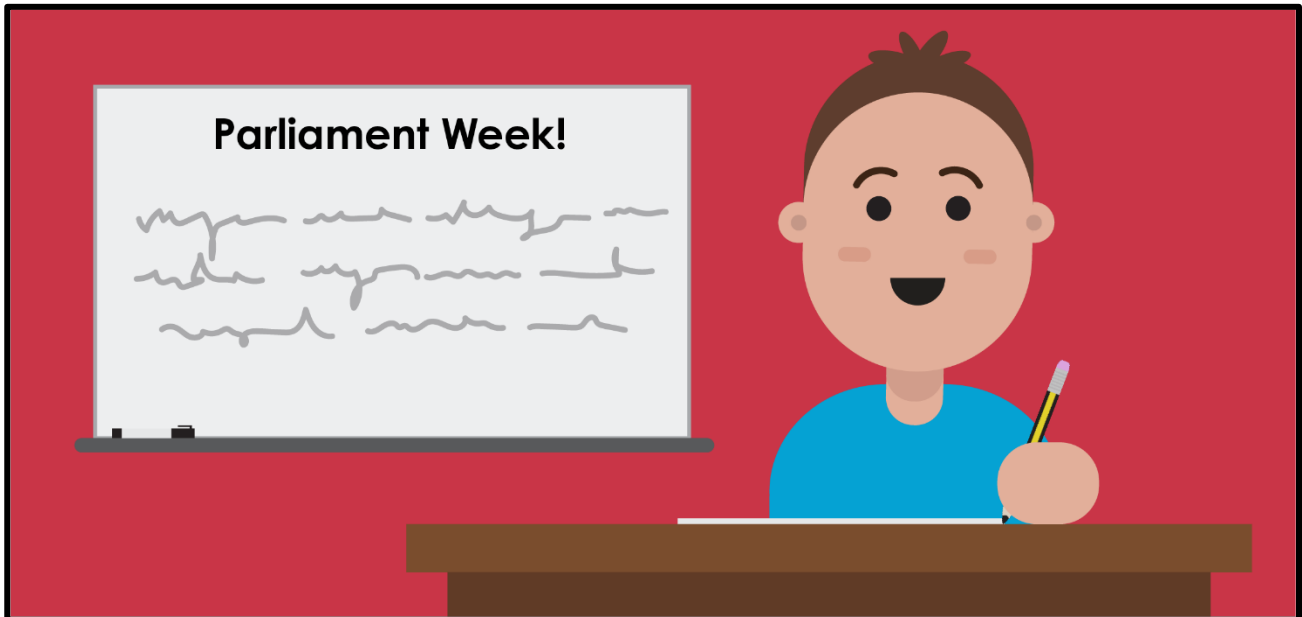
1 Mark



Q2

Who became the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom in July 2019?

1 Mark



Dear Mr Johnson,

Congratulations on becoming Prime Minister. What a busy job you have ahead of you! I was very interested to learn about your job during Parliament Week. I didn't know there were hundreds of members of parliament who look after different places. We also learnt about the job of the speaker. I think his job is a bit like a referee! Did you always want to be the Prime Minister when you were growing up?



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Q3

'...the speaker. I think his job is a bit like a referee.'
What does this tell you about the speaker? Circle *one*.

they run after a football

they keep everything in order

they let people talk over each other

they sit and watch

1 Mark

My name is Sam and I am 7 years old. I am writing to ask you how you are going to help the children of the UK. I am concerned that children of my age are becoming unfit and unhealthy. I think we need to do something about this. Could you talk to parliament about ways to make sure children get enough exercise and eat healthy food? The school dinners at my school are very healthy so maybe they could be free for all the children.

Q4

'I am concerned'
Which word means the same as 'concerned'? Tick *one*.

upset ☐

happy ☐

worried ☐

calm ☐

1 Mark



Q5

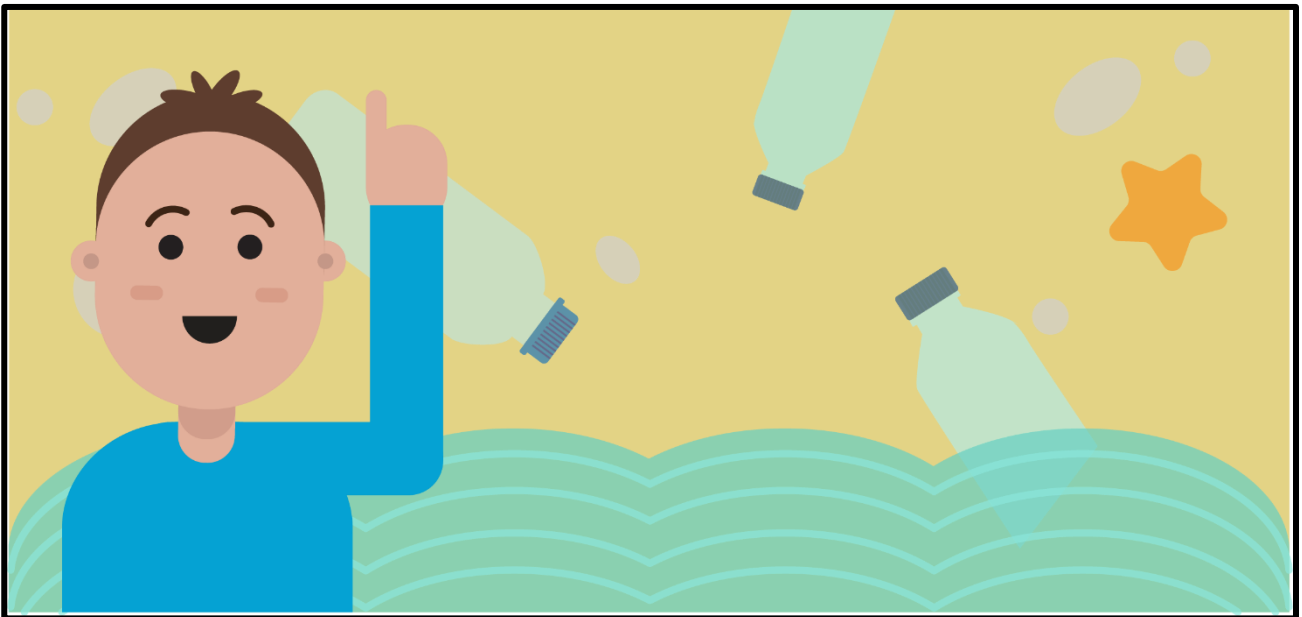
What is Sam concerned about?

1 Mark

Q6

What does Sam want the Prime Minister to do?

1 Mark



I have been learning about how plastic can be a problem to our environment. We went on a litter pick to our local beach. You would be shocked by how much plastic rubbish we found. Did you know it can take hundreds of years for a plastic bottle to rot away? That's a really long time! What are you planning to do about this? I think supermarkets



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and shops sometimes use too much packaging which doesn't help the problem. I am trying to do my bit to help the environment. I have started to use a water bottle that I can refill and I'm trying to use less plastic. I wonder what you do at the Houses of Parliament to use less plastic. I would like it if you could write back to me. I would show your letter to my class.

Yours sincerely,

Sam (age 7)

Q7

Why do you think Sam went on a litter pick at the beach?
Tick three.

to leave rubbish on the beach

☐

to keep the beach clean

☐

to stop sea creatures from getting hurt

☐

to stop it from getting into the ocean

☐

to make a beach litter picture

☐

1 Mark

Q8

Write down two things that Sam is doing to help the environment.

1) _____

2) _____

2 Marks

