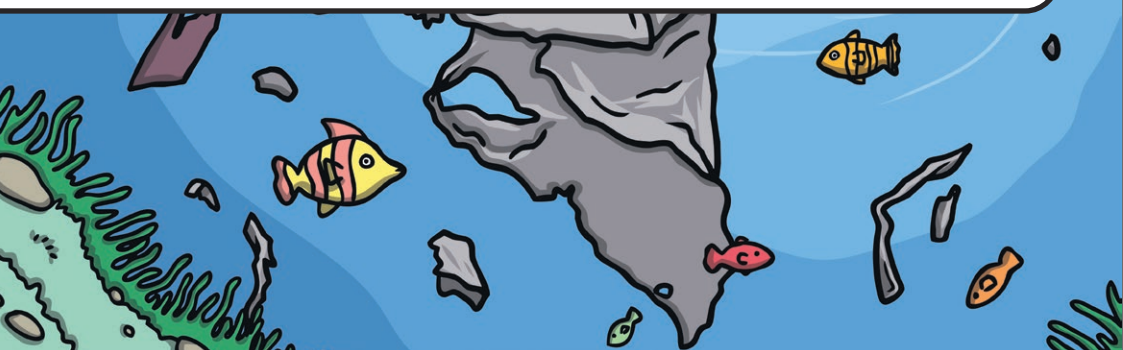


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Questions



1. What do the tiny plants in the ocean produce?



2. **...oceans also provide food for many creatures.**

What do you think that the word 'provide' means in this sentence?



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Answers



1. What do the tiny plants in the ocean produce?

The tiny plants in the ocean produce oxygen.



2. ...oceans also provide food for many creatures.

What do you think that the word 'provide' means in this sentence?

Pupils' own responses, such as: I think that 'provide' means 'makes'.



3. Why do you think that many animals eat plastic?

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Pupils' own responses, such as: It is important to keep oceans clean to protect animals, their habitats and the air that humans breathe.