

## ***The Plastic Problem Questions***

As you watch [The Plastic Problem](#), answer the following questions. Then, complete the reflection questions on the second page.

- 1. By what year do studies predict there will be more plastic than fish in the ocean?**
- 2. True or False: Every piece of plastic that has ever been produced still exists in some form!**
- 3. How did China's National Sword Policy of 2018 impact global recycling markets?**
- 4. After China's National Sword, which country soon became the world's leading importer of plastic scrap?**
- 5. What percent of plastic is single-use packaging?**
- 6. Each year Coca-Cola sells over 120 billion plastic bottles. That's enough to wrap around the circumference of the earth how many times?**
- 7. Lori Goff's "unplastic" uses leftover wastewater from what process?**

## ***Reflection Questions***

- 1. How do the viewpoints of local organizers, academics, and large corporations differ on the plastic problem? Why?**
- 2. Revisit the arguments made by organizers, academics, and large corporations for reducing, reusing, or recycling. For each group, identify their main priorities. Do they focus more on people, planet, or profit? Explain.**
- 3. How does sending recyclables overseas affect the people that live near processing plants?**
- 4. Why do you think the United States sends recyclables overseas instead of processing them domestically?**
- 5. How do you feel about Coca Cola's "world without waste" campaign, which aims to collect the same amount of packaging it uses for reuse?**