

Hi, I'm Dave. I'm really glad you've decided to take part in my quiz.

If you've picked this up from a bus seat or a stray email, and want to know what it's all about, watch my introductory video at www.make-shift.net/dqp2/

Circle the answer you most agree with, count up your As, Bs, etc. and click on the link on the Furtherfield gallery computer (or at www.make-shift.net/dqp2/ to hear one of my special messages!

If you don't agree with any of the answers below, you can make up your own and call them E. There's a special message for that too!



Dave's Quiz (part 2)

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5. The worst thing about plastic clothes is...

- a) Whilst resistant to wrinkles, most chemicals, stretching and shrinking, mildew and abrasion – they make you sweat
- b) They don't have the natural feel of cotton
- c) They release thousands of tiny plastic fibres into the water every time you wash them, which transfer dangerous chemicals into the food chain when the fibres are ingested by sea creatures (some of which we eat)
- d) They are subject to price changes with the price of oil so things like towels, sheets, and most clothing could become really expensive...

6. When opening the fridge you are faced with the challenge of half a carton of mouldy yoghurt and some beef mince past its sell by date. Do you...

- a) Hold your nose, put on some rubber gloves and... throw them in the outside bin
- b) Put the yoghurt in the wormery, wash out the carton thoroughly for the recycling and make a very hot chilli for dinner
- c) You're a vegetarian and you make your own yogurt
- d) You would never spend money on something and let it go to waste

1. If you're not already holding it, slide your mobile phone out of your pocket. Feel that familiar weight, how naturally your fingers slide towards the buttons. Smile at it, keep tight hold of it. Can you imagine your world without it? *

Is your most overpowering thought...

- a) What's happening on Facebook...
- b) By the time I've got to grips with this technology, it will be out of date.
- c) I wonder how many of the component parts of this phone are currently re-cycled?
- d) I must be due an upgrade soon!

2. The best thing about recycling is...

- a) The new fashion for everything 'vintage'
- b) You can make cool and useful things like fleece jackets from old plastic bottles
- c) It helps to relieve the guilt of the 'throw away society'
- d) The energy saved by recycling one plastic bottle will power a 60W light bulb for six hours

3. The Great Pacific Garbage Patch is...

- a) An eco-friendly recycling centre on the Californian coast
- b) Currently being cleaned up by volunteers and will be completely gone by 2014
- c) Potentially twice the size of the state of Texas.
- d) An urban myth perpetuated by anti-capitalist tree-huggers

4. Choose an item of clothing you're currently wearing and check the washing label on it. Which of the following 'man made' fibres does it contain...

- a) Polyester (cheap to produce, resistant to perspiration and cosmetic oils)
- b) Polyamide – otherwise known as Nylon (high elasticity, light and fine, easy to wash and quick-drying, guaranteed shape retention)
- c) Viscose (high moisture regain, dyes easily, doesn't shrink when heated, made from biodegradable cellulose)
- d) Elastane (remarkable stretch and recovery properties, easily washable, dyeable, moderate abrasion resistance)

*Find out more about tantalum and fair trade mobiles from Bandi Mbubi at www.tinyurl.com/98undf3

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7. Very small bits of floating plastic, produced by photo-degradation of plastic rubbish in the ocean, are sometimes called...

- a) mother's pearls
- b) fool's gold
- c) mermaid's tears
- d) bird food

8. You are cast as an anti-marine pollution activist in an award winning film. Do you achieve your goal by...

- a) ...bombing the headquarters of Plasticorps Unlimited (without hurting anyone good in the process)
- b) ...running an awareness raising campaign by persuading surfers in a small Cornish village to make and sell a calendar of them naked (private parts covered with artfully arranged plastic beach debris)
- c) ...starting a commune built out of non-recyclable packaging and living in the car park outside Tesco for 10 years where you work day and night to invent a range of non-toxic, bio-degradable and cheap alternatives to plastic
- d) It would be a biopic of Captain Charles Moore encountering the North Pacific Gyre for the first time...*

9. Do you think "built-in obsolescence" is...

- a) A form of energy-efficient LED track lighting that is embedded in ceiling panels for installation in domestic or office environments. For example, "Our new house has walk-in wardrobes with built-in obsolescence"
- b) A technical process that enables motor vehicles to reabsorb the carbon emissions they produce
- c) Deliberate design of a product so that it has a limited life and will become unfashionable or unusable after a certain period of time
- d) Software that allows different obsolete devices to communicate with each other so that they function automatically with every update

10. Just check your phone again. Oh no! It's suddenly stopped working. Is your first action to...

- a) Curse loudly...push the power button a few times...press vigorously on the touch screen...throw it in the bin in a temper
- b) Put it in the plastic envelope to take to the school fundraising scheme with your old batteries
- c) Search the internet forums for how to take it apart and fix or replace the broken bit
- d) Contact your insurance for a new one. You've only had it a week!

Dave's Quiz (part 2) has been developed for [WWW: World Wild Web](#) at Furtherfield Gallery by Paula Crutchlow and Helen Varley Jamieson from issues and discussions raised during the networked performance event *make-shift*.

If you are interested in finding out more about the consumption and disposal of plastic and marine pollution, or the *make-shift* project itself, visit www.make-shift.net

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11. If you decided to not consume any new plastic for the next year, what would you miss most... *

- a) The convenience of online shopping
- b) Sticker books/drinking straws/biros/cigarette filters/toothbrushes/new sports clothes/fish fingers/frozen peas/that special shampoo that sticks your split ends back together
- c) antibiotics/blood pressure medications/anti-inflammatories/a replacement bike helmet/ a new hip joint/open heart surgery
- d) 'Time release' or 'targeted control' laxatives, dietary supplements, muscle relaxers/the new model ipad - it will have 4G capabilities won't it?

12. Take one minute and touch everything you can see that is made out of plastic (including your clothes and any personal hygiene products you've used today). Is the total...

- a) I don't have a clue what's plastic and what isn't
- b) 10-10,000
- c) I avoid touching plastic
- d) Some things are just cheaper that way

How did you get on?
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*Find out more about Captain Charles Moore at www.tinyurl.com/c2spz7

*Thinking of going plastic free?
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