**C) Talking about the environment**

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|  | **Words** | **Parts of speech** | **Examples** |
| 1 | biodegrade  (生物分解) | v. | Items that are made from natural things ***biodegrade*** or break down naturally. Man-made things like polystyrene containers never biodegrade. |
| 2 | Flood (洪水) | n. | We have seen more ***floods***in the last few years. Is this a sign of global warming? |
| 3 | Drought (乾旱) | n. | There has been no rainfall for months. All plants died due to the ***drought****.* |
| 4 | Famine (飢荒) | n. | A lot of poor children are facing ***famine***in African countries. Many of them may die out of hunger. |
| 5 | Landfill (垃圾堆填場) | n. | Rubbish that we throwaway ends up in ***landfills****.* Reduce the rubbish in landfills by recycling and reusing things. |
| 6 | Rechargeable Battery (可再充電的電池) | n. | You can use ***rechargeable batteries***more than once. They are more environmentally friendly than disposable batteries. |
| 7 | Recycling Bin (回收箱) | n. | It's easy to recycle! Just put recyclable items like paper, bottles and aluminum cans in ***recycling bins****!* |
| 8 | Reusable shopping bag (環保購物袋) | n. | You should bring a ***reusable shopping bag***when you shop and stop using disposable bags. |
| 9 | Rising sea level  (上升的海平線) | n. phr. | Melting glaciers are adding more water to oceans, so our oceans have ***rising sea levels****.* |
| 10 | Solar-powered  (大陽能供電) | adj. | We need more ***solar-powered***products because energy 'from the' sun is free and does not harm the environment. |
| 11 | Temperature rise  (溫度上升) | n. | ***Temperature rise*** around the planet is mainly due to global warming. |
| 12 | Leaking pipes (漏水管道) | n. | How old is your flat? Do you have ***leaking pipes****?* Repair them and save water. |
| 13 | Turn off the light (關燈) | v. phr. | When you leave a room, remember to ***turn off the light****.* This will save your money and electricity. |
| 14 | Recycle  (使再循環；再利用) | v. | Make sure you ***recycle***all your paper, glass and cans. |
| 15 | Reuse (重用) | v. | Think carefully before you throw things away. ***Reuse***them as much as possible. |
| 16 | Reduce (減少) | v. | Try to ***reduce*** the amount of rubbish you throwaway. The rubbish we throwaway goes to landfills which will be full very soon. |