

These pop culture text sets attempt to represent not just a topic, but an issue within that topic, and sides of that issue. The text sets present multiple perspectives on an issue—as well as multiple levels of texts and multiple modalities. Some articles may need to be adapted for lower level readers. Please keep in mind that websites are temporal.

Plastic Bottles & Ocean Pollution—great images of the ocean, sea creatures, and plastic bottle pollution. Text overlay (captions) and charts/graphs. (con)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rf5iHqT1Rzc>

International Bottled Water Association: Which is safer? Bottled water or tap water? (pro)

<http://www.bottledwater.org/health/bottled-water-vs-tap-water>

This article looks at the consumption of bottled water, the waste that is created by the plastic bottles, and the energy required to produce the bottles. (con)

<http://dsc.discovery.com/news/2009/04/06/bottled-water.html>

Bottled water helps Haitian relief work. (pro)

<http://www.bottledwater.org/news/bottled-water-industry-provides-assistance-haitian-relief-efforts>

Myths about bottled water (pro)

<http://www.marieclaire.com/health-fitness/news/bottled-water-myth>

Resources required to make bottled water (con)

<http://dsc.discovery.com/news/2009/04/06/bottled-water.html>

20/20 article examining pros and cons of bottled and tap water (nuanced)

<http://abcnews.go.com/2020/Health/story?id=728070&page=1 - .UCM2j2jNV6J>

From *National Geographic News*, banning bottled water

<http://newswatch.nationalgeographic.com/2012/02/13/bottled-water-is-silly-but-so-is-banning-it/>

[VIDEO/FACTS]

How Stuff Works video on the water cycle

<http://videos.howstuffworks.com/discovery/27741-assignment-discovery-the-water-cycle-video.htm>

[VIDEO/FACTS]

Discover Video—how plastic bottles are made

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T01i_vp2mJE&feature=youtube_gdata_player

[VIDEO/NUANCED]

YouTube video on recycling of water bottles

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_YEGewENa6E&feature=youtube_gdata_player