Water Bottles

A. Problems with reusing a drinking water bottle.

- 1. What is the problem with using a water bottle a second time?
- 2. What could be the identity of white particles floating in the water? Why is it a problem?
- 3. What is another thing those white particles could be? Why is that a problem?

B. Is there plastic in your metal water bottle?

- 1. What is BPA?
- 2. What has BPA been linked to, according to the article?
- 3. Where can BPA be leached from?
- 4. What is the problem with aluminum bottles?
- 5. Are stainless steel bottles safer?

C. Choosing safe Water Bottles.

- 1. What is an important factor to consider when choosing a water bottle? Why?
- 2. Why has plastic been used?
- 3. Why is plastic perhaps not the best choice?
- 4. What are the benefits and problems of glass bottles?
- 5. Where else can aluminum be found?
- 6. What are the problems with aluminum?
- 7. What is the problem with aluminum bottles?
- 8. What are the benefits to using stainless steel bottles, according to the article?

D. Questions and Answers for Action on Bisphenol A. This article is from the government of Canada.

- 1. What is BPA used for?
- 2. What are its safety functions?
- 3. Where can BPA be found? Where is it not found naturally?
- 4. Why did the government study BPA?
- 5. What did they find?
- 6. Did they find links to some diseases?
- 7. Does the government think the general public needs to be concerned?
- 8. What are the concerns?
- 9. How are newborns and infants being exposed to BPA?
- 10. What is the government doing about baby bottles containing BPA?
- 11. Should you be concerned about polycarbonate bottles, tableware and food containers?
- 12. What should you do if you are?

E. All About Water.org

- 1. What problem is water bottles making worse?
- 2. How much plastic is used each year to make water bottles?
- 3. Besides the sheer number of bottles, what other problem is caused?
- 4. WWF suggests washing bottles and reusing. What are the problems with that?
- 5. WWF suggests bottlers use local facilities. Why? What is the problem with that?

F. The benefits of recycling water bottles.

- 1. What are at least 5 benefits to recycling water bottles?
- 2. Is there something better than recycling? What is it?