Here are the plastics questions, along with the sites they came from for backup. Thank you to the Township of Sayreville.

- 1. How much plastic ends up in the ocean each year? 8 million tons
- 2. What is the estimate of how much plastic a person ingests? 5 grams per week (the weight of an average credit card)
- 3. How many zip lock bags are used by the average family each year? 500
- 4. How many marine animals are killed by plastic bags annually? 100,000
- 5. Approximately how many straws do American use every day? 500 million
- 6. How many different species have been affected by plastic pollution? 267
- 7. When does the plastic bag ordinance take effect? May 4, 2022
- 8. Plastic bags are used for an average of \_\_\_\_\_? 12 minutes
- 9. The petroleum natural gas it takes to make \_\_\_\_\_ bags could drive your car for one mile? 14 bags
- 10. How long does it take to degrade a plastic bag? Never completely
- 11. The average person takes home how many plastic shopping bags a vear? 1,500
- 12. Half of all plastic produced is for single use purposes?

  True

## Sites Used

Single-Use Plastics 101 | NRDC

<u>Plastic Pollution Guide - Ocean Pollution Facts & Figures</u>

Plastic: You're eating a credit card's worth of plastic each week

The average person eats thousands of plastic particles every year, study finds

Choose Reuse | The Environmental Center

Plasticoceans.org

Lessplastic.co.uk