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# The Plastic Problem

In "How Plastic Is Trashing the Planet" (pp. 6-11), you read about how millions of tons of plastic waste end up in our oceans each year and the ways in which it harms sea creatures. Using evidence from the text, write your answer to each question in the middle column. Then note where in the article you found the answer.

QUESTION	ANSWER (cite evidence from the text)	LOCATION (page and column number)
1. How long does it take for plastic to break down completely?		
2. Why is the problem of plastic waste expected to get worse?		
3. What qualities of plastic make it useful?		
4. How does eating plastic harm sea creatures?		
5. How has Shelby O'Neil dedicated herself to protecting sea creatures?		

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