Debate Activity

**For Instructor**

For this part of the activity, we have outlined a few questions below. The students can be split into 2 or more groups to address one or more of the questions, or they can act independently. The questions below have no right or wrong answer. These questions are just a guideline. Please feel free to use questions that better relate to material being covered in class or to any activities being conducted for British Science Week.

**Question 1: Is it important to identify the zooplankton off the shores of Scotland?**

* Why or why not?
* What might some implications be?
* How would we benefit from this information?

**Question 2: Is it important to know all the different zooplankton species found in the oceans around the world?**

* What information could this provide?

**Question 3: Do you think that zooplankton are important??**

* Why or why not?
* What important roles do they play?

**Question 4: Should we protect the world’s oceans?**

* Why or why not

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**For Students**

Research the following questions and form an opinion about the issues to present to the class. Take notes in the spaces below if desired, or use a separate piece of paper.

**Question 1: Is it important to identify the zooplankton off the shores of Scotland?** Why or why not?What challenges would scientists face? How would we benefit from this information?

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**Question 2: Is it important to know all the different zooplankton species found in the oceans around the world?** What information could this provide?

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**Question 3: Do you think that zooplankton are important?** Why or why not?What important roles do they play?

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**Question 4: Should we protect the world’s oceans?** Why or why not?

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