

Combined Science - Chemistry - Key Stage 4

C10 Using Resources

Exam skills - Compare and Evaluate

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Independent task - Compare LCA example question

Wooden forks are an alternative to metal forks. Compare the use of a metal fork to a wooden fork.

	Metal forks	Wooden forks
Raw materials	Finite - metals	Renewable
Reusable	Yes - if washed	No
Carbon dioxide produced per fork in grams	400	350
Water used to make each fork in m ³	1.2	0.4



Independent task - Compare potable water treatment

Fluoride can be added to potable water to help prevent and reduce dental decay. It is recommended that the level of fluoride in water is below 0.5 mg per litre. Compare which method is better for detecting fluoride levels in water.

	Portable instrument	Instrument in the lab
Cost of equipment	£250	£1000
Hours of training required per worker	4	6
Time to prepare instrument for test	1 minute	5 minutes
Sensitivity of the instrument	1 mg of fluoride per litre	0.001 mg of fluoride per litre



Independent task - Evaluate LCA example question

Wooden forks are an alternative to metal forks. A company states that 'wooden forks are better for the environment than metal ones'. Evaluate this statement.

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Evaluate potable water treatment

Fluoride can be added to potable water to help prevent and reduce dental decay. It is recommended that the level of fluoride in water is below 0.5 mg per litre. A company states 'that the best method to test the fluoride level is through using a lab instrument'. Evaluate this statement.

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