



Practise and consolidate your learning about vocabulary and word forms by completing our activities. The answers for all activities are on the last 2 pages.

### ACTIVITY 1

Identify the nominal groups and apposition in the following paragraph.

Local communities are actively participating in various recycling programs to dispose of waste materials responsibly. The most common is household or domestic recycling. Many councils provide kerbside collection services for newspapers, glass, aluminium cans and plastic. These recyclables can significantly reduce the volume of rubbish which ends up in landfill sites. Another initiative, rapidly developing into a popular industry, is the recycling of green waste. This consists of shredding leaves, branches, trees and other materials to produce landscaping mulch, which serves to enrich soils in gardens and parks.

**ACTIVITY 2**

Complete the sentences with the correct noun form of the verbs or adjectives in brackets.

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ (amend) to the bill was seen as a step in the right direction.
2. A vegetarian diet can lead to a \_\_\_\_\_ (reduce) in the chances of developing chronic diseases.
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ (decide) of the local council to suspend the burn off of bushland was welcomed by all.
4. There is no doubt that strict \_\_\_\_\_ (censor) of the internet is necessary for the sake of children.
5. The higher \_\_\_\_\_ (consume) of fatty foods was a worrying trend.
6. All graduating students had to rate the \_\_\_\_\_ (deep) of their learning in the exit survey.
7. The statistics showed that the \_\_\_\_\_ (produce) of iron ore dropped by 50% in 2009.
8. The line graph shows a slight \_\_\_\_\_ (different) between the number of cinema goers and theatre attendees.
9. A thorough \_\_\_\_\_ (re-evaluate) of the health care system was long overdue.
10. The findings from the research on childhood obesity will have \_\_\_\_\_ (implicate) for future generations.

## ACTIVITY 1 ANSWERS

### Nominal groups

Local communities are actively participating in various recycling programs to dispose of waste materials responsibly.

<b>Nominal Groups</b>	
premodifier + head noun	Local <b>communities</b>

The most common is household or domestic recycling.

<b>Nominal Groups</b>	
premodifier + head noun	The most <b>common</b>
premodifier + head noun	household or domestic <b>recycling</b>

Many councils provide kerbside collection services for newspapers, glass, aluminium cans and plastic.

<b>Nominal Groups</b>	
premodifier + head noun	Many <b>councils</b>
premodifier + head noun	kerbside collection <b>services</b>
head noun + prepositional phrase	<b>services</b> for newspapers, glass, aluminium cans and plastic

These recyclables can significantly reduce the volume of rubbish which ends up in landfill sites.

<b>Nominal Groups</b>	
premodifier + head noun	These <b>recyclables</b>
head noun + prepositional phrase	the <b>volume</b> of rubbish

Another initiative, rapidly developing into a popular industry, is the recycling of green waste.

<b>Nominal Groups</b>	
premodifier + head noun	Another <b>initiative</b>
noun phrase + apposition	Another initiative <b>rapidly developing into a popular industry</b>
premodifier + head noun	the <b>recycling</b>
head noun + prepositional phrase	<b>recycling</b> of green waste

This consists of shredding leaves, branches, trees and other materials to produce landscaping mulch, which serves to enrich soils in gardens and parks.

<b>Nominal Groups</b>	
head noun	<b>This</b>
head noun + prepositional phrase	<b>soils</b> in gardens and parks

**ACTIVITY 2 ANSWERS**

1. amendment
2. reduction
3. decision
4. censorship
5. consumption
6. depth
7. production
8. difference
9. re-evaluation
10. implications

