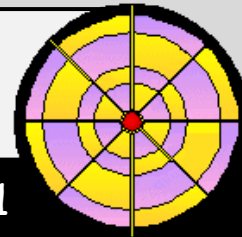


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Scottish Water to fit 'top-up taps' for water refills

A network of hi-tech taps is to be installed across Scotland to encourage people to use refillable water bottles.

Scottish Water says its "top-up taps" will be fitted in about 30 towns and cities over the next two years.

The first water refill point will be located outside the Scottish Parliament in Edinburgh during October and is part of a drive to persuade more people to carry refillable bottles and cut down on single-use plastic.

A study by Recoup, a charity promoting plastics recycling, found that UK households use 480 plastic bottles a year but they recycle just 280 of them. Write this figure as a fraction in its simplest form.



Scottish police officers secure 6.5% pay increase

Scottish police officers are to receive an immediate 6.5% pay increase.



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A police officer with 10 years service currently earns £38 000 per year.

- Calculate the pay increase for an officer with 10 years experience.
- Calculate the new salary of an officer with 10 years experience.

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Powerleague five-a-side football firm to close 13 sites

Five-a-side football operator Powerleague has put forward a rescue plan that will result in the closure of 13 sites and the loss of 109 jobs.

Five-a-side football is a very popular hobby for people in the UK and pitches cost £50 for a one hour game. This cost is usually shared equally among all the players.

Powerleague is currently offering a 10% discount if a booking is made online.

How much would it cost each player for a game if the pitch was booked online?



Royal Mail: Stop posting crisp packets without envelopes

Royal Mail has stepped into a row between campaigners and crisp makers Walkers - by urging people posting empty packets to put them in envelopes.

Royal Mail is obliged by law to deliver the bags to Walkers' freepost address.

Royal Mail said it had handled about 30 crisp packets so far. Walkers produce a staggering 7000 plastic crisp packets a minute.

How many packets do they produce in a year? Give your answer in WORDS.

