

WaterPod Makes Seawater Drinkable

I love the sea... Blughh! But I hate getting seawater in my mouth! Eww! It tastes horrible! 大海景色優美又好玩，但是海水的味道真的很糟糕。 Yuck!

Seawater is really salty. Not only does it taste really bad, it will actually make you even more thirsty! There's just too much salt in it for our bodies.

So no matter how thirsty you are, never drink from the sea!

海水很鹹，不只難喝，還會讓你更口渴，因為我們的身體沒有辦法處理那麼多鹽。

We have so much water on earth, but 97% is salty seawater that we can't drink.

地球有很多水但是 97%是不能喝的海水。

Now, some students from Malaysia have come up with a great idea. They invented something really cool called a WaterPod.

馬來西亞一群學生發明了很酷的東西叫做 WaterPod。

This WaterPod floats on the sea, sucks up water, and takes out the salt!

People can then come to the WaterPod and pump out fresh water!

這個 WaterPod 漂浮在海面上，過濾海水中的鹽分，變成淡水。

If they can make more WaterPods, they could help so many people that live near the sea but don't have easy access to clean, fresh water that they can drink.

要是能夠做出很多 WaterPod,那些住在海邊的人就有乾淨淡水可以喝了。

This is a really great invention!

Vocabulary

海水化為淡水的發明，可以造福人類。

1. Salt 鹽。

Why is there salt in seawater? 為什麼海水裡有鹽？

I think the salt comes from the stuff washed into the sea.

我想鹽是來自被沖進海水裡的物質。

2. Seawater 海水。

So we shouldn't drink seawater at all? 所以我們完全不該喝海水？

No, it's not a good idea. 對，那不是好主意。

3. Invent 發明, invention 發明。

The WaterPod is a useful invention. WaterPod 是很有用的發明。

I hope I can invent something useful. 我希望我能發明有用的東西。

4. Thirsty 口渴的。

Eating hot dogs always makes me thirsty. 吃熱狗總是讓我覺得口渴。

That's because there's too much salt in it. 那是因為它裡面太多鹽了。

這些字很重要也很常用。

salt 鹽

seawater 海水

invent 發明
invention 發明
thirsty 口渴的

Quiz

1. What is the invention called?

- A: A Sea Drinker
- B: An Ocean Swimmer
- C: A WaterPod

2. Who invented it?

- A: Students from Malaysia
- B: Kids from South Korea
- C: Fishermen from Australia

3. What does the invention do?

- A: It turns seawater into drinking water
- B: It makes seawater saltier
- C: It turns seawater pink