



Now, it is your turn! Try to accommodate direct and reported speech when writing!

You are a student journalist. A fellow schoolmate's environmental protection project has taken the society by storm. You have interviewed her regarding her great achievement. Write an article for your school magazine.

Recycling Being Reinvented by Aspiring Environmental Leader

When 16-year-old Sarah Chan first proposed an innovative design to her school principal, she never expected it would transform into a citywide movement. Today, her self-recycling machines are smoothly operating in twenty secondary schools across Hong Kong.

Let me introduce you to the 'woman of the hour'—Sarah. She is very passionate about revolutionising recycling bins.

'Traditional recycling bins weren't working,' Sarah explained, shaking her head in dismay. 'They

were simply coloured bins without providing much assistance to the recycling process.' She then

There is more to the conversation than words, like her gestures and the sense of pride in her tone and facial expression.

gestured at the automatic recycling machines she designed and proudly advertised that her

design was everything the traditional bin was not, and was confident that her bins could make

This is the biggest selling point of her product. Sarah said it better than I ever could. Let me quote that.

recycling 'an effortless yet meaningful process'.

Let me summarise Sarah's origin story for you.

The teenage environmentalist revealed that her inspiration came when she and her friends

had to go through a great deal of hassle just to recycle some drink containers at school. She

remembered, with a frown, that they first had to go to the washroom and tear open the containers

with all their might to properly clean the inside, only to waste the rest of recess puzzling out what

could and couldn't be recycled. It was at that point when a spark of inspiration ignited.

You can learn more about Sarah from Principal Wong's own words. ←

Principal Wong of Wellington College praised Sarah's ground-breaking idea. 'She noticed a problem and didn't just come to us with complaints,' he remarked, his eyes crinkling with pride.

'She presented us with a proposal for a recycling machine equipped with AI that has a built-in cleaning and sorting system. All we have to do is put the trash in, and the machine will do the rest.'

He showed us the skyrocketing percentage of recycled waste at the school since the launch of

→ I should add that he is very thrilled with the results.

Sarah's machine, exclaiming that the new bins had made an unimaginable difference by helping to integrate the habit of recycling into students' lives.

Environmental Protection Department officials have taken notice of the triumphant result.

→ Sarah's invention is highly recognised by government officials. How do I know? An announcement was made! Haven't you heard?

'We're exploring ways to mass produce Sarah's invention and implement it across Hong Kong,'

announced Department Head Mrs. Lee at yesterday's Green Initiative Forum, where she illustrated a bright, green future for Hong Kong with the self-recycling machines as the staple.

→ Sarah's future plans in a nutshell.

Looking ahead, Sarah outlined ambitious upgrades involving the introduction of a reward system where people can collect recycling points redeemable for attractive gifts. She hinted at some possible collaborations with several reputable conglomerates as negotiations are currently underway.

→ Sarah is declaring this to the world!

'This will not be the end of my journey!' Sarah announced, waving a clenched fist in determination.

'With the help of technology, we can all do so much more for the environment!' She shared that this experience had made her more aware of the environment and how impactful a crowd can be

→ You need to hear it for yourself. Maybe Sarah's enthusiasm will rub off on you too!

if we all pitch in. 'We all have this fiery passion for environmental protection burning within us,'

she said at the end of the interview, 'sometimes all it takes is one spark to turn it into a blazing fire.' Let's hope she does not need to wait long for that day to arrive.