

Lesson 5-4: Environmental Impact in Electrochemistry	
Curriculum Expectations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • F1.1 • F1.2 • F3.5 • F3.6
Learning Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore commercial uses of electrochemistry. • Investigate techniques and technologies that can be used to help reduce the negative environmental effects of electrochemical products. • Understand different ways that chemistry can help and harm humanity and the environment.
Success Criteria	<p>I know I have achieved the goals for this lesson when I can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe commercial uses of technology that use electrochemical principles. • Identify some of the the dangers to the environment and our bodies of products that use electrochemistry. • Explain ways that we can reduce the negative environmental effects of toxic pollution caused by electrochemical products.
Teacher Prep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure videos play properly

Minds On

1. Battery Recycling

Lead a class discussion based on the following prompts:

- a) *“What do you do with your batteries when they run out of power?”*
- b) *“What is the proper way to dispose of batteries?”*
- c) *“What are some possible negative environmental consequences to improper disposal of batteries?”*

Action

****Refer to the Differentiation Resources link for additional practice worksheets, and to enrich your classroom teaching using different tools throughout the lesson. ****

1. 5-4A: Environmental Impact of Electrochemistry

- This is meant to introduce some of the alternative technologies being developed.
- Watch the movies together as a class and have a class discussion following each, having students offer their thoughts on the value, practicality and potential pros and cons of each technology.
- After each video, select students to summarize each video for the whole class. You can break the videos up into sections and have different students summarize different sections.
- Try to focus students towards the environmental consequences of our current technologies and these future technologies.

Consolidation

1. 5-4: Environmental Issues in Electrochemistry

- To be completed individually.
- Review the assignment beforehand, emphasizing where marks are allocated and proper submission formats.

- Emphasize that creativity, original thinking and proper research techniques are crucial for this assignment.
- Review the rubric together before students start the assignment so that there is clarity on how they will be assessed.

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