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Pupils' own responses, such as: This information text is about the artist John Dahlsen, who reuses objects found at the beach to encourage people to reduce the amount they throw away.



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Pupils' own responses, such as: Someone might read this text if they enjoy John Dahlsen's artwork and want to learn about him.