

**biodegradable**[ˌbaɪəʊdɪˈɡreɪdəb(ə)] *a mex.*

- 1) разлагаемый микроорганизмами (о *пластмассах*)
- 2) портящийся под действием микроорганизмов

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**bio-degrad-able** [biodegradable] *BrE* [ˌbaɪəʊdɪˈɡreɪdəb] *NAme*[ˌbaɪəʊdɪˈɡreɪdəb] *adjective*

a substance or chemical that is biodegradable can be changed to a harmless natural state by the action of bacteria, and will therefore not damage the environment

**Opp:** ↑non-biodegradable

- All active ingredients of this soap powder are 98% biodegradable within three days.

Collocations:**The environment***Environmental damage*

**cause/contribute to** climate change/global warming  
**produce** pollution/CO2/greenhouse (gas) emissions  
**damage /destroy** the environment/a marine ecosystem/the ozone layer/coral reefs  
**degrade** ecosystems /habitats/the environment  
**harm** the environment/wildlife/marine life  
**threaten** natural habitats/coastal ecosystems /a species with extinction  
**deplete** natural resources/the ozone layer  
**pollute** rivers and lakes/waterways/the air/the atmosphere/the environment/oceans  
**contaminate** groundwater/the soil/food/crops  
**log** forests/rainforests/trees

*Protecting the environment*

**address/combat/tackle** the threat/effects/impact of climate change  
**fight/take action on/reduce/stop** global warming  
**limit/curb/control** air/water/atmospheric/environmental pollution  
**cut/reduce** pollution/greenhouse gas emissions  
**offset** carbon/CO2 emissions  
**reduce** (the size of) your carbon footprint  
**achieve /promote** sustainable development  
**preserve/conserve** biodiversity/natural resources  
**protect** endangered species/a coastal ecosystem  
**prevent/stop** soil erosion/overfishing/massive deforestation/damage to ecosystems  
**raise** awareness of environmental issues  
**save** the planet/the rainforests/an endangered species

*Energy and resources*

**conserve/save/consume/waste** energy  
**manage /exploit/be rich in** natural resources  
**dump/dispose of** hazardous/toxic/nuclear waste  
**dispose of/throw away** litter/(*especially BrE*) rubbish/(*especially NAme*) garbage/(*NAme*) trash/sewage  
**use/be made from** recycled/recyclable/biodegradable material  
**recycle** bottles/packaging/paper/plastic/waste  
**promote/encourage** recycling/sustainable development/the use of renewable energy  
**develop/invest in/promote** renewable energy  
**reduce** your dependence/reliance on fossil fuels  
**get/obtain/generate /produce** electricity from wind, solar and wave power/renewable sources  
**build/develop** a (50-megawatt/offshore) wind farm  
**install/be fitted with/be powered by** solar panels

Example Bank:

- Most plastics are not readily biodegradable.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

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materials, chemicals etc that are biodegradable are changed naturally by ↑bacteria into substances that do not harm the environment **OPP non biodegradable** , **non-biodegradable** :

• This carton is made of biodegradable plastic.

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