



The world this week
Made of mushrooms

Where are we this week?



Its national animal is a nightingale!

This country begins with a 'U'



It's in Europe,
near Poland.



It is Ukraine!

It's the second-largest country in Europe and its a population is 43 million.

Its capital city is Kyiv.

UTC +3 hours

Pryvit!



Why is Ukraine in the news?

Because two scientists from Kyiv won an award for creating packaging that replaces plastic styrofoam...



...it's made of mushroom roots and hemp stems!

Styrofoam is widely used in packaging to protect goods. But it is made of oil, not recyclable, polluting and takes a long time to break down.

The mushroom material is organic, sustainable, and can be easily composted...



...it's also waterproof, durable, lightweight and cheap to make!

Over to you!

Using the world map, where is Ukraine in relation to the Tropics and Equator? What do you think the climate is like?



Do you know any facts about Ukraine?



Which kinds of mushrooms do you know of?



Over to you!

What other sustainable materials could replace styrofoam? List as many as you can!



Thank you!

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