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1. With reference to a product of your choice, explain planned obsolescence.

2. Explain why planned obsolescence can be bad for the environment.

3. ‘Planned obsolescence is sometimes deliberately and openly built into products for safety reasons’. Explain this statement, giving examples.