

TAKING CARE OF THE EARTH



How Can People Protect the Earth?

We can use our resources wisely. That means we must use all resources carefully and not waste them.

Conserving means to use something wisely.

We need to



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What are
Resources

natural

1. Do not waste water.

What are some ways we can save water?



- We can turn off the water while we brush our teeth.
- We can take shorter showers.
- We can use less water when taking baths.

2. Do not waste electricity.

What are some ways we can save electricity?



- Turn out the lights when you leave a room.
- Turn off TV when not watching it.
- Use sunlight instead of lights in a room.

3. Do not litter – throw trash away in a trash can, not on the ground!



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4. Do not put bad things in water. Bad things can pollute water.



Pollute means to make unclean.

Pollution can kill animals that live in the water or drink the water.

Remember the three R's: Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle

REDUCE

We can **reduce** the things we use – that means to use less!

Examples:

- We can try to use fewer napkins or we can use cloth napkins that we can wash instead.
- We can use fewer tissues and less toilet paper.
- We can use glass plates and cups instead of paper ones.

These steps would reduce the amount of trash we throw away.

REUSE

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Examples:



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- Instead of throwing trash away, we can reuse it for something else. Example: we can reuse an empty jar of jam to store other food in the fridge.

RECYCLE

Recycle means to make old things into new things we can use.

What can we recycle?

1. glass (glass jars)
2. plastic (plastic water bottles)
3. metal (cans)
4. paper (newspaper)

Make sure you put all these things in a recycle bin, not a trash can.



PREVIEW

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You can see a recycling bin with a recycle sign.



A recycle sign looks like this: