

Recycling & Saving Our Planet Lesson

Learning Objectives:

Students will learn what recycling is and how to keep our planet healthy.

Materials & Preparation:

- Recycling and Saving our Planet power point (included)
- Recycling and Saving our Planet comprehension questions (included)
- Recycling and Saving our Planet matching (multiple levels included)
- Recycling and Saving our Planet writing picture prompt (included)
- YouTube access "Recycling Facts for Kids- Why is Recycling Important?" by LearningMole

Instruction:

- What planet do we live on? How has it been around for so long? How can we keep it healthy so it's here for years to come? How do we take care of our Earth?
- Recycling and Saving our Planet power point
- Review key points with students before proceeding.

Independent Working Time:

- Recycling and Saving our Planet Comprehension Questions (read aloud if necessary)
- Recycling and Saving our Planet Matching activity
- Recycling and Saving our Planet Writing picture prompt
- What are things you can do to save our planet?

Wrap up/Closing:

- Review what we can do to keep our Earth healthy. What little things can we all do?

Other Ideas for Activities:

- Go outside and pick up trash!
- KWL Chart
- Have students sign their names on a class contract in order to promise to try to recycle and keep the Earth clean.
- Make posters for the 3 Rs: Reduce, Recycle, Reuse
- Coloring pages of the Earth

- Try to find examples of what it means to reuse. Maybe you have something in your classroom that you are reusing for something else.

Name _____ Date _____

Answer the questions about Recycling and Saving our Planet.

1. The 3 Rs stand for _____, _____, & _____.
 - a. Red, royal, raspberries
 - b. Rabbits, rhinos, and raccoons
 - c. Recycle, reduce, and reuse

2. It is our job to keep the Earth _____.
 - a. Polluted
 - b. Dirty
 - c. Clean

3. When our environment is dirtied by trash and waste, it is called:
 - a. Pollution
 - b. Clean effort
 - c. Green air

4. What type of things can you recycle?
 - a. Plastic bottles, paper
 - b. Food
 - c. Pillow cases

5. What does it mean to reuse?
 - a. Turn in your paper on time
 - b. Put on a band aid
 - c. use an item again, for another purpose

6. What does it mean to reduce?
 - a. Lessen amount of trash you throw away
 - b. To make more waste
 - c. To call your Mom

7. What is one way you can help the Earth?
 - a. Recycle items
 - b. Reduce our waste
 - c. Both a and b

8. What happens when waste is dumped into our oceans?

- a. Animals get sick and die
- b. Nothing
- c. Doesn't matter

9. Air pollutants can cause people to _____

- a. Enjoy life
- b. Get sick
- c. Go outside more

10. Can you think of 1 thing you could RESUSE instead of throwing away?

Score: _____/10 = _____%

Name _____ Date _____

Match the pictures with the same picture.



Name _____ Date _____

Match the pictures with the words.



Air pollution



Earth



Picking up trash



Recycle



Our environment

3 Things I can do to help our planet:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

I promise to do my part to keep our planet healthy.

Name: _____

Signature: _____