CARING FOR OUR Earth

Earth Day is a special time each year when people all around the world stop to think about how they can help the planet. One of the biggest ways we can make a difference is by protecting the **environment**, which includes the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the land where animals live.

There are many simple things we can do every day. For example, we can **reuse** items like shopping bags, lunch containers, and water bottles. This helps keep trash out of **landfills**, which are places where trash is buried.

Another helpful habit is to compost. Instead of tossing food scraps and yard waste in the trash, we can let them break down and turn into rich soil for gardens. This helps the Earth and cuts down on **pollution**.

We can also **recycle** paper, plastic, and cans so they can be made into new things. Recycling saves energy and helps us **conserve** natural resources like trees and water.

It's also important to use renewable energy. That means using power that comes from the sun, wind, or water—things that don't run out. These energy sources are cleaner and better for the Earth.

Finally, when we take care of nature, we protect the **habitats** of animals, keeping their homes safe and clean.

This Earth Day, think about one small thing you can do. Every choice matters when it comes to protecting our planet.

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Earth Day Vocabulary

Read each clue, then use the word bank below to find the word that matches the clue. Write the name of the word next to its clue.

reuse	landfill	compost	environment	recycle
renewable	conserve	habitat	pollution	Earth Day

_____ A holiday on April 22nd that reminds us to care for the plant Earth.

_____ To use something again instead of throwing it away.

_____ A way to turn leftovers and yard clippings into soil.

_____ Harmful materials that make our air, water, or land dirty.

_____ To protect our natural resources by using less water or energy.

_____ To turn waste into a new, useful item.

_____ A large area where trash is buried under the ground.

_____ The world around us, including nature, animals, air, and water.

_____ Energy that comes from sources that won't run out, like sun or wind.

_____ The natural home of a plant or animal.

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Earth Day Questions

Read the passage "Caring for our Earth", then answer the questions below.

1. What is the main idea of the passage?

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2. What does it mean to reuse something?

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3. How does composting help the Earth?

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4. What are renewable energy sources mentioned in the passage?

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5. Why is it important to protect habitats?

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6. What do renewable energy sources have in common?

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7. How is composting different from recycling?

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8. What is one thing you can do to help the Earth?

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