

1 Write ideas for how you could reduce, reuse and recycle the following products.

Metal

Clothes

Food



2 Write a heading for each paragraph. 

Incinerators

Trash

Landfills

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

1.

We all throw trash away every day. In the United States, a person throws away an average of two kilos of trash a day. How many kilos do you dispose of daily? More importantly, where does the trash go? How does this affect the environment?



2.



Most of our trash goes to landfills. Here, it is buried between layers of soil. Landfills cause pollution, so people do not want to live near them. The usual contents of landfills are: 6% rubber or leather, 8% metal, 11% food and plants, 21% trash like old televisions, 24% plastic, and 30% paper.

3.

One way to get rid of trash is to burn it in incinerators. The problem is that they produce ash and smoke. These contain substances that hurt plants, animals and people.



4.



We can help the environment by practicing the three Rs of waste management:

- Reduce the products we buy. Buy fewer products and you will automatically produce less trash.
- Reuse containers, batteries and paper: use cloth towels instead of paper towels. You can wash plastic and glass containers to keep other things in them.
- Recycle plastic, glass and paper to make other products. You can get tables, cameras, backpacks, carpets and shoes from recycled plastic.

Just remember: focus on the process of living green, not on buying the latest green item. Help our planet by doing what works for you.

3 Imagine that you will visit a landfill next week. Discuss with some friends.

- What will it look and smell like?
- Do you think the soil under the landfill is clean and healthy?
- What happens to trash in landfills?

4 Complete the Cool Horoscopes.

will catch the flu will help somebody special will find your best friend
will need your optimism will rescue you will show that you have a strong personality

Cloth

Apr 22 – Jun 5



You are the cloth that covers your friends.

Spend more time with them and you _____

Wood

Jul 22 – Sep 5



Wood is easy to shape with the right tools. The same happens with you.

You _____

_____ and together you'll be the perfect duo!

Metal

Oct 22 – Dec 5



Rubber

Jan 22 – Mar 5



You're always bouncing around, like a rubber ball, but be careful with your health. Relax or you _____

Glass

Jun 6 – Jul 21



This month will be great.

You're transparent, like glass, and easy to love.

There will be some money problems, but a metal friend _____

Paper

Sep 6 – Oct 21



This month will bring a surprise. You're paper, and people think you can burn easily, but you _____

Plastic

Dec 6 – Jan 21



You are like plastic because you adapt easily to different situations.

You're happy even when everybody around is crying. Somebody in your family _____

Leather

Mar 6 – Apr 21



► Underline the sentences.

red = characteristics
blue = prediction

► Write the missing horoscopes.

hard, strong
elegant, soft

problem at school
surprise party

5 Write your friend's horoscope for next month.



Aries



Libra



Taurus



Scorpio



Gemini



Sagittarius



Cancer



Capricorn



Leo



Aquarius



Virgo



Pisces

Taking Action!

1 Label the pictures.



2 Listen and complete the notes. 46

How much do we throw away every year?			
Trash	400 kilos	Glass bottles	
Paper		Plastic bags	
Cans			

3 Listen to the questions and mark (✓ or ✗) your answers. 47



How Green Are You?

1. ☐

4. ☐

7. ☐

2. ☐

5. ☐

8. ☐

3. ☐

6. ☐

► Compare your score with some friends.

Key

7-8 ✓ You are an excellent friend to our planet!

5-6 ✓ You are green, but you can do more.

3-4 ✓ You are not very green. Try to help our planet.

1-2 ✓ Oh, no! Our planet really needs your help!

4 Choose an area of your school to improve with some friends.



► Make an improvement plan for the future.

When will you
implement the plan?

Who will participate?

What's the
first step?

Will you need an
adult's help?

What will you need?

► Develop the most important points.

Isn't it cool to work
achieve great things!



Taking Action! 7



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