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Reduce, Reuse, Recycle: Learn and Practice

Give old materials a new life

Read each question. Circle the best answer.

Recycling

- Reduce means use less. Reuse means use again.
- Recycle means turning old materials into new things.
- Sorting materials helps them get recycled.
- an old jam jar becomes a pencil holder: reuse

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C. Glass bottles D. Metal cans

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B. Throw away your fork daily

C. Wrap each item twice

D. Use a lunch box you can wash

3 Which one can usually be recycled?

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C. A dirty tissue D. A used napkin

4 Why do we sort recycling into paper, plastic, glass and metal?

A. It makes it heavier B. It looks nicer

C. Trucks like colors

D. Each one is recycled in its own way

5 What does reuse mean?

A. Burying it B. Throwing it away

C. Burning it D. Using something again

6 What does reduce mean?

A. Breaking things B. Using more

C. Buying extra D. Using less

7 Where do apple cores and banana peels go?

A. The paper bin B. The glass bin

C. The compost D. The metal bin

8 Where should an empty plastic bottle go?

A. The recycling bin B. The forest floor

C. The ocean D. The garden

Draw it! Draw a picture that shows what you learned.

ANSWER KEY

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Paper is mashed with water into pulp and pressed into new paper.

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A washable lunch box can be used again and again, so less garbage is made.

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Clean paper and cardboard can be made into new paper.

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Each material has different properties, so each one is recycled a different way.

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C. Burning it **D. Using something again**

Reusing means finding a new way to use something instead of throwing it out.

6 What does reduce mean?

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Reducing means using less stuff, so there is less waste to begin with.

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Food scraps break down in compost and turn into rich soil for gardens.

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Plastic bottles can be recycled into new things, so they belong in the recycling bin.