

What's Recyclable in Tacoma?

Grades 2-5 Pre-Visit Activity #1

Materials Needed: *Recycling Survey*, pencil

The purpose of this lesson is to see what your students know about recycling in Tacoma.

Directions:

- Ask your students the following questions and share the results with the EnviroChallenger Educator. After surveying the class, give them the vocabulary word search.

Recycling Survey

1. How many of you have a blue recycle bin at home?

2. What can you put in the recycle bin?

3. How many of you have a brown or tan bin?

4. What can you put in that bin?

5. What happens to things that are recycled?

Recycling Word Search

Grades 2 - 5 Pre-Visit Activity #2

Materials Needed: *Recycle Word Search*, pencils

Purpose: The purpose of this lesson is to introduce recycling vocabulary to your students.

Directions:

- Go over the vocabulary definitions as a class.
- Then have students complete the word search below.

Vocabulary

Compost: reduced organic waste

Landfill: special site for garbage

Organic: from living things

Reduce: use or create less

Reuse: use again and again and again

Recycle: use materials over again to make new things

Respect: being kind to the environment and all living things

Responsible: taking good care of the environment

Yard waste: leaves, grass and twigs that can go in the tan bin

Waste: things thrown away in the garbage and landfill

RECYCLING WORD SEARCH

L A R G U P G E T O A L B Y X
A A N Y A R D W A S T E O C E
N E N N P R E D U C E P R E R
D T O D S B U K G U W R C N E
H S A E F L E A T R Q I I N C
O A S I E I E L A C N I N G Y
W W A S E R L I L A E N G O C
D E U R M A R L G E A P E R L
O E M Y T H I R S T G M S E E
R P C O M P O S T F Z A T E C
O F U N C B E A E T T R K E R
U N I F R E S P O N S I B L E

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