# DEFEND THE ENVIRONMENT

## Activity Book

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Here is an environmental activity book for you to use in your classrooms. This educational tool will provide an entertaining experience for students to learn about the environment. Enjoy!

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### Hi kids!

You can be an Environmental Defender by protecting the planet from pollution if you practice the Three R's:

Reduce, Reuse and Recycle!

## Draw a line from each of the Three R's to its meaning:

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Putting old furniture and other unwanted items by the side of the road is called "illegal dumping." Help protect the environment and keep your neighborhood clean by reporting illegal dumping. If you see something dumped illegally, ask your parents to call 1-888-CLEAN LA.

Find and circle the following illegally dumped items hidden in the picture: sofa, refrigerator and tire.

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Household hazardous waste (HHW) is any leftover product with a "poison," "toxic" or "flammable" warning label. HHW will harm the environment if it is poured on the ground or put in the trash.

#### Circle the items below that are HHW:



You can help protect the planet from pollution if you choose items you can **YEUSE** instead of items you throw away after one use.

#### Find and circle the items you can reuse:

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- Canvas bag (instead of a paper bag)
- U Water bottle (can be refilled)

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- Cloth rag (instead of a paper towel)
- Lunch box (instead of a paper bag)
- Thermos
  (instead of a juice box)

- Plastic container
  (instead of a plastic bag)
- Cloth napkin (instead of a paper napkin)

Use silverware or wash and reuse plastic...

- □ Spoons

Glasses
 Cups
 Plates

Bowls

Instead of paper, use reusable...



Storm Arains, those openings in the gutter, lead straight to the ocean. So anything besides rainwater that washes into the gutter will pollute our oceans and the beaches.

What is the only thing that should go in a storm drain? Unscramble the word below to find out the answer:

**WRATENIRA** 





These natural resources are used to make items that can be reused and recycled. Draw a line from the item to the natural resource used to make it.



When you reuse and recycle these items, you can help save the natural resources used to make them. RETHINK means to think again. Before you throw something in the regular trash, RETHINK! Should it really go to the landfill? Is there a way to recycle or reuse it? Is there a better way to dispose of it?

These are pictures of items that should NOT go in the regular trash. Write the word of the item on the line next to its picture.



Answers: A - Can, B - Paper, C - Batteries, D - Box, E - Motor Oil, F - Cell Phone, G - Leaves, H - Banana Peel





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