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# **IT'S EARTH DAY!**

This week we are celebrating Earth Day, which is Wednesday, April 22, 2020.

- Try to read with a family member or on your own, for at least 30 minutes each day!
- Spend 30 minutes of your day being physically active!

## LITERACY

This scavenger hunt is a research project and will require you to access several websites. Email your answers to your teacher, or check the school website next week for an answer key.

Read carefully!

EARTH DAY



"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better.

It's not." - Dr. Seuss (The Lorax)



Check out this reading of

The Lorax
by Dr. Seuss
or
watch the movie if

you have it!

"It is a happy talent to know how to play." -Ralph Waldo Emerson



### NUMERACY

#### Earth Day Survey

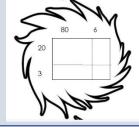
Interview friends and family using these questions and create a graph to express your results.
Use the graph of your choice. (bar graph, line graph, pie chart, etc.)
Remember to clearly label your graph.

\*\*You do not have to display all 18 pieces of data in your graph. The questions will hopefully allow you to have great discussions with the people you are interviewing. Have Fun!

### <u>The Lorax</u> Truffela Tree Multiplication

Click the picture to try more!





| Do you                   | Yes   | No    | Some-<br>times | I would<br>like to |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|----------------|--------------------|
| Recycle at home?         |       |       |                |                    |
| Recycle at               |       |       |                |                    |
| school/work?             |       |       |                |                    |
| Reuse items?             |       |       |                |                    |
| Reduce consumption?      |       |       |                |                    |
| Litter?                  |       |       |                |                    |
| Pick up litter?          |       |       |                |                    |
| Plant trees?             |       |       |                |                    |
| Plant a garden?          |       |       |                |                    |
| Have house plants?       |       |       |                |                    |
| Have solar panels?       |       |       |                |                    |
| Use wind power?          |       |       |                |                    |
| Have a hybrid or         |       |       |                |                    |
| energy efficient         |       |       |                |                    |
| vehicle?                 |       |       |                |                    |
| Do you walk or           |       |       |                |                    |
| use a bicycle when       |       |       |                |                    |
| you can?                 |       |       |                |                    |
| Do you use reusable      |       |       |                |                    |
| bags when possible?      |       |       |                |                    |
| Do you shop locally      |       |       |                |                    |
| when possible?           |       |       |                |                    |
| Talk to your friends and |       |       |                |                    |
| family about the         |       |       |                |                    |
| environment?             |       |       |                |                    |
| Read about the           |       |       |                |                    |
| environment?             |       |       |                |                    |
| Read about               |       |       |                |                    |
| endangered animals?      | Total | Total | Total          | Total              |
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### **SCIENCE**

Earth Day is April 22! This is the day we remind students about the importance of recycling in order to save the planet for future generations! Knowing your plastics can come in handy!

Which Plastic is Which?

You know those recycling codes on the bottom of your plastic containers? They tell you what type of plastic they are. Here's a quick explanation of the typical plastics used in consumer products these days:

| Plastic<br>Recycling<br>Symbol | Plastic Name                             | Where to Find<br>This Plastic in<br>Your Home                             | This Plastic is<br>Valued For  |
|--------------------------------|--|---|--|
| PETE                           | Polyethylene<br>Terephthalate            | water and soda<br>bottles   | clarity<br>strength<br>impermeability to gas<br>and moisture               |
| 2<br>HDPE                      | High Density<br>Polyethylene             | milk jugs, grocery<br>bags and toiletry<br>bottles                        | stiffness<br>strength<br>resistance to<br>moisture<br>permeability to gas  |
| \$                             | Polyvinyl Chloride                       | water pipes, blister<br>packaging for non-<br>food items                  | strength ease of blending with other materials versatility                 |
| 43<br>LDPE                     | Low-density<br>Polyethylene              | food bags,<br>squeezable bottles,<br>cling films,<br>disposable cups      | flexibility ease of processing ease of sealing barrier to moisture         |
| <u></u>                        | Polypropylene                            | microwaveable<br>containers, yogurt<br>cups, disposable<br>plates / cups  | strength<br>resistance to heat,<br>chemicals, oils and<br>moisture         |
| <u></u>                        | Polystyrene                              | disposable plates,<br>cups, cutlery,<br>containers and<br>packing peanuts | clarity<br>versatility<br>molding ease                                     |
| OTHER                          | Other (often<br>Polycarbonate or<br>ABS) | beverage bottles,<br>CD's, lenses for<br>glasses, riot shields            | properties dependent<br>upon the mixture of<br>polymers<br>may contain BPA |

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To Do:

- 1. See if you can find one of each type of plastic in your home!
- 2.Create a Compare/Contrast chart where you chart the similarities and differences between the different types. For instance, describe their appearance, strength, durability, their purpose/use
- 3. Design an experiment where you test the different strength and durability capabilities for each type (or even just several different types). For instance, how many books can I stack on top of a pop bottle before it gets crushed; how many can I stack on top of a coffee contained or a piece of Tupperware before it gets crushed, etc. Or, how long will hot water stay hot in a number 1 versus a number 3, etc. Remember to state your hypothesis (what you think will happen), as well as your results (what happened!)

Check these links for samples:

https://www.edrawsoft.com/compare-contrast-graphicorganizer.html

https://www.verywellmind.com/what-is-a-hypothesis-2795239



"The Earth is what we all have in common" -Wendell Berry

#### **TRIVIA**

- 1. The melting of the Greenland ice sheet poses an immediate threat to the survival of what animal?
- 2. How much of our air pollution comes from motor vehicles, like cars and trucks?
- a) 20%
- b) 30%
- c) 80%
- d) 50%



ART IN A BOX

Find any empty box you can and go outside.

Collect items from outside (without disturbing anything too much) that you can place in/attach to/prop against your box to create your artwork. Consider size, shape, texture and color when collecting and arranging your materials.

Create something funny and silly, or something beautiful. It's entirely up to you! Share pictures of your artwork with your teacher, or on the school Facebook or Twitter pages.

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