

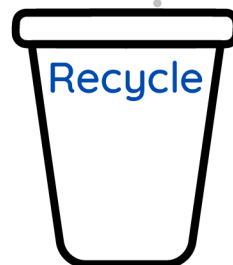
Spring Activity Packet

Ages 9-12



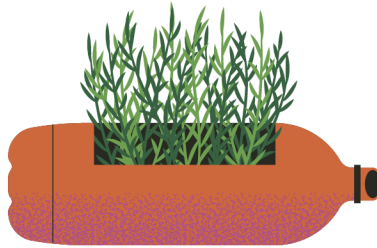
Sort the Items

Directions: Use the 'What Goes Where' search tool to sort these items correctly. Draw a line from each item to the correct bin.



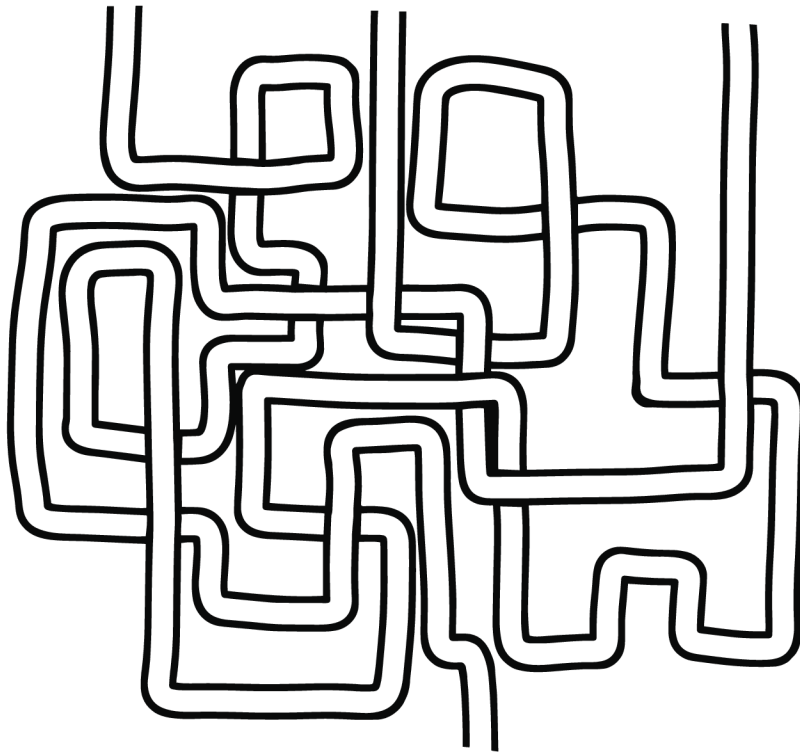
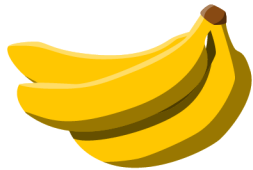
Upcycled Garden

Directions: In the first row, take a look at various ways you can upcycle in your garden, then color the examples in row 2, then come up with your own garden upcycle in the box below.



Maze

Directions: Which item is the recyclable material that can make it through to the recycling bin?



Crossword Puzzle

Word Bank

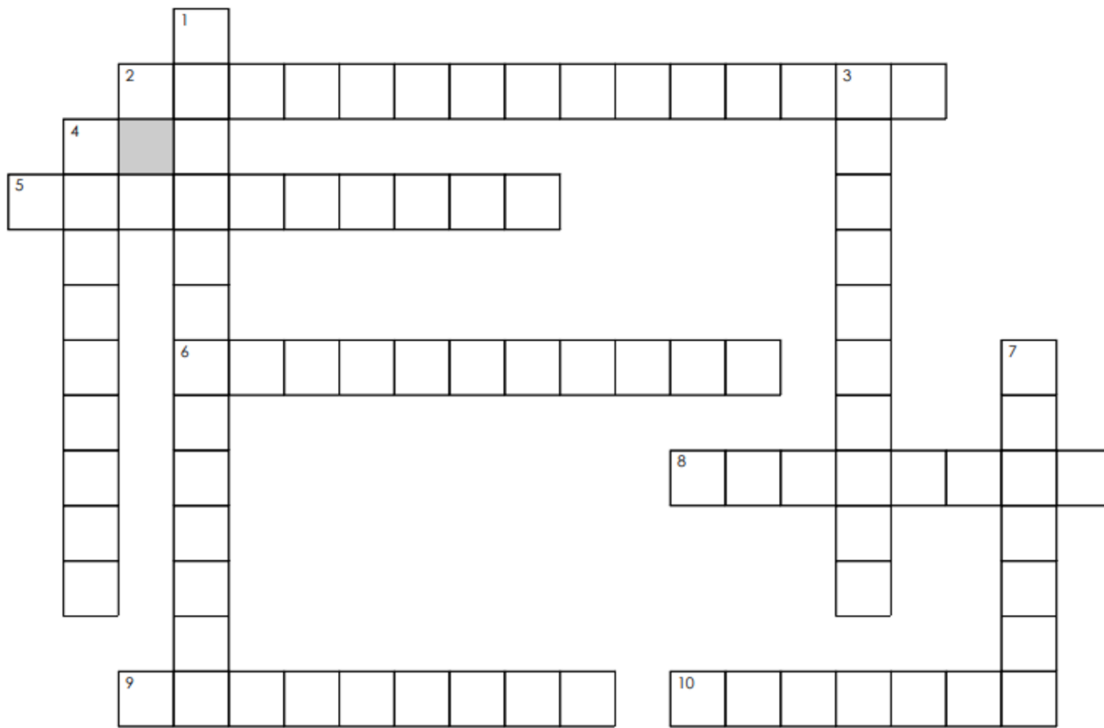
COMPACTOR
MOBIUS LOOP

REUSABLE BAG
CIRCULAR ECONOMY

BIODEGRADABLE
FOOD SCRAPS

RECOVERY
REFILLING

DURABLE
UPCYCLE



Across

2. A strategy that encourages reuse of the reuse of products instead of buying new ones.
5. A type of waste that can be composted.
6. A type of bag that helps reduce waste.
8. A system that collects and processes waste for reuse.
9. Use a container over and over by _____ it.
10. A way to repurpose an item by making it into something new.

Down

1. A type of material that breaks down easily and organically.
3. A popular recycling symbol with three arrows pointing in a triangle.
4. A machine that compresses waste to make more space.
7. Products that can last a very long time are considered _____.

Cryptogram Message

Directions: Use the given key to decipher the sentence below.

Key

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
17	7	9	21	25	5	11	22	1	18	8	4	19

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
2	24	26	16	3	10	6	14	23	13	20	15	12

If you can't recycle it,
try to:

3 25 14 10 25 , 3 25 26 17 1 3 ,
24 3 21 24 2 17 6 25 1 6

Word Search

Directions: Find and circle all the listed words that are hidden in the grid. Then check the box if your household does these eco-friendly methods to help the environment.

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

☐ Compost

☐ Upcycle

☐ Repair Items

☐ Reuse

☐ Sort Items

☐ Look Up Disposal

☐ Recycle

☐ Reduce Waste

☐ Repair Electronics

Garden Reuse Ideas

Here are some ways to reuse items by adding them to your garden and help cut down on waste.

Cut used plastic bottles or containers as plant covers to protect your seedlings.



Nail used plastic food containers to a post to create mini bird feeders.



Cut up and sew your old jeans to make an upcycled gardening belt to hold your tools and seed packets.



Use umbrella handles or other tall, thin objects you're planning to discard for plants that need stability.

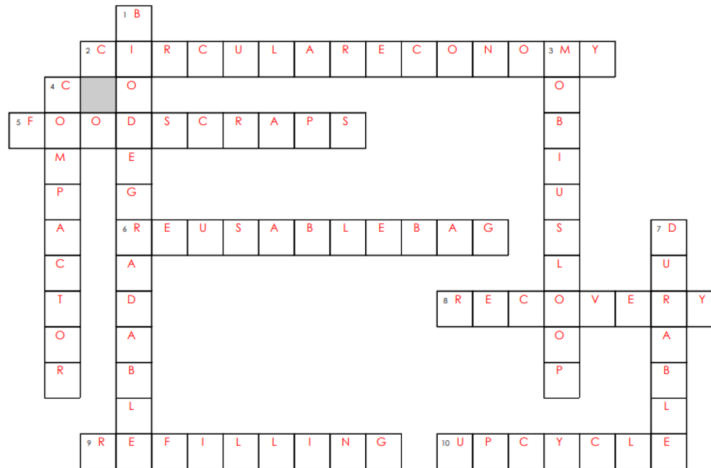
Answer Key

*** Each recycling program is unique in what it accepts, therefore any activity that asks you to look up items in the 'What Goes Where' search tool will not have answers provided in this answer key.

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Answer Key

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O R D O N A T E I T

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