



Teachers Resources - Waste & Recycling – Recycling – Answers and suggestions

Age 10-11 group – Activity 1 – Read all about it

The children can create a positive news story about the benefits of recycling or a negative news story about what could happen in the future if we do not recycle now.

They could add photographs or images into the front page template, a headline and a secondary headline and then write the article in their own style.

They should use describing words and sentences, quotes, web links or references to articles.

Age 10-11 group – Activity 2 – Recycling rates

Use the fact sheet "Recycling rates across leicestershire" to identify the recycling rates across the counties.

Ask the children to do a graph or other type of chart or a short report about the recycling rates and how they compare.

Ask the children to look at an area's methods of recycling i.e. bags, bins or boxes and write a short report on what methods they think would work best and why.

Age 10-11 group – Activity 3 – Recycling Across the World

Look at the fact sheet "Recycling rates across the world" and compare 3 countries of your choice. Plot them on the graph to compare which country is the best.

They may also want to think of reasons why the countries may differ ie some countries do not recycle plastics or offer composting etc.

Age 10-11 group – Activity 4 Mini Recycling Project

Ask the children to look around the classroom/school and ask them to make a list of the materials that are thrown away. They should then make a list of all of the items and put them in the reused or recycled section on the sheet.

Changes to the recycling system

If the children make changes to the recycling system ask them to monitor the amount of waste before the changes to the system and afterwards and compare the two.