

Objective

By the end of this lesson, the student will be able to understand the basic concept of recycling, its importance for the environment, and how they can contribute to making the Earth a cleaner place.

Materials and Prep

- Paper and crayons or markers
- Empty plastic bottles (clean and safe)
- Old newspapers or magazines
- Access to a recycling bin (if available)
- Preparation: Discuss with the student what recycling means and why it is important for our planet.

Activities

- **Colorful Recycling Poster:** The student will create a poster using paper and crayons to illustrate what can be recycled. They can draw pictures of items like bottles, cans, and paper, and write simple words like "Recycle!"
- **Recycling Scavenger Hunt:** The student will go on a mini scavenger hunt around the house or yard to find items that can be recycled. They can collect these items in a basket and discuss why each item can be recycled.
- **Story Time:** Read a short story or watch a fun video about recycling together. Afterward, discuss the main ideas and what the student learned from the story.
- **Crafting with Recyclables:** Using the empty plastic bottles and old newspapers, the student can create a fun craft project, such as a bird feeder or a flower pot, showing how we can reuse materials instead of throwing them away.

Talking Points

- "Recycling means taking things we no longer need and turning them into something new!"
- "Why do you think recycling is important? It helps keep our planet clean and safe for animals and plants!"
- "Can you think of something you use every day that can be recycled? Great job! Bottles, cans, and paper can all be recycled!"
- "What can we do to help the Earth? We can recycle, reuse, and reduce waste!"
- "Let's make sure we put our recyclables in the right bin so they can be turned into new things!"