

RECYCLING ACTIVITY PACK



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About this Resource:

This pack includes activities to help students become more familiar with recycling!

This is not a unit. Instead, it's designed to supplement your instruction about recycling or Earth Day.

Activities Included:

Sorting Card Activities

Activity Pages

Interactive Book

Crown Templates

Partner Game

How to Use this Pack:

Recycling Sorting Cards (Pgs. 8-9):

Students will cut out and sort the items under each category. They will glue the word and picture cards onto construction paper. Choose either the color or black & white version.

Pocket Chart Sorting Cards (Pgs. 10-13)

This is a whole-group or small-group activity. I would suggest printing the cards on cardstock for durability. Students will sort each item under the correct category. Choose the color or black & white version.

Recycling Labeling Page (Pg. 15):

Students will cut out the words and label each picture.

Recycling Graphing Pages (Pgs. 16-17):

There are two versions of this activity. The first page has pictures for students to count and graph. To use the second version, have students bring in recyclable items and use the page to graph the items. Items that work well are tissue boxes, cans, newspapers, etc.

How to Use this Pack:

Recycling Picture Search (Pgs. 18-20):

In this activity, students will look through magazines or newspapers to find pictures of recyclable items, cut them out, and glue them on the page. There are two versions: Use page 14 by itself or use pages 15 and 16 together (double-sided) to give students more room to glue pictures.

"I Can Recycle" Interactive Book (Pgs. 22-33):

To assemble this book, print pages 22-32, cut along the middle to create two books, and staple. Make a copy of page 33 for each student. Students will color, cut out, and glue the correct picture set on each page.

Recycling Crowns (Pgs. 35-36):

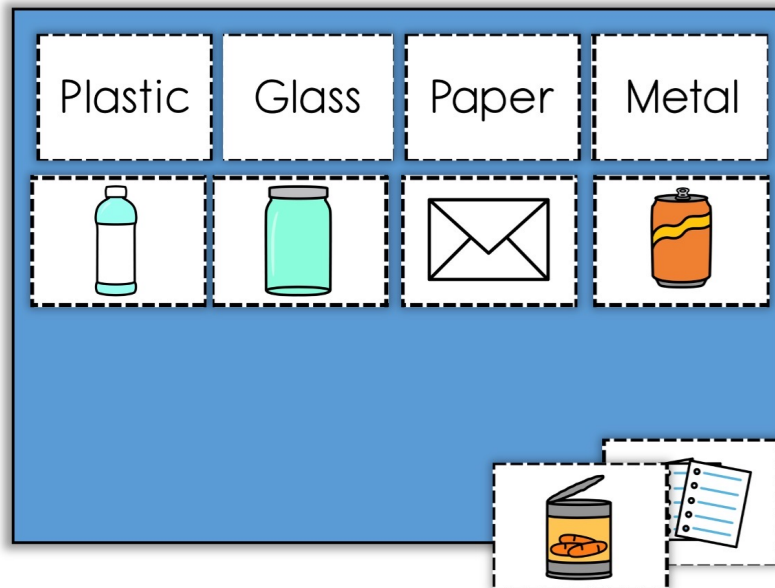
There are two versions of the crown. Choose one and follow the instructions on the template page. You'll need to add construction paper strips to form the crown.

"Race to Recycle" Game (Pgs. 38-41):

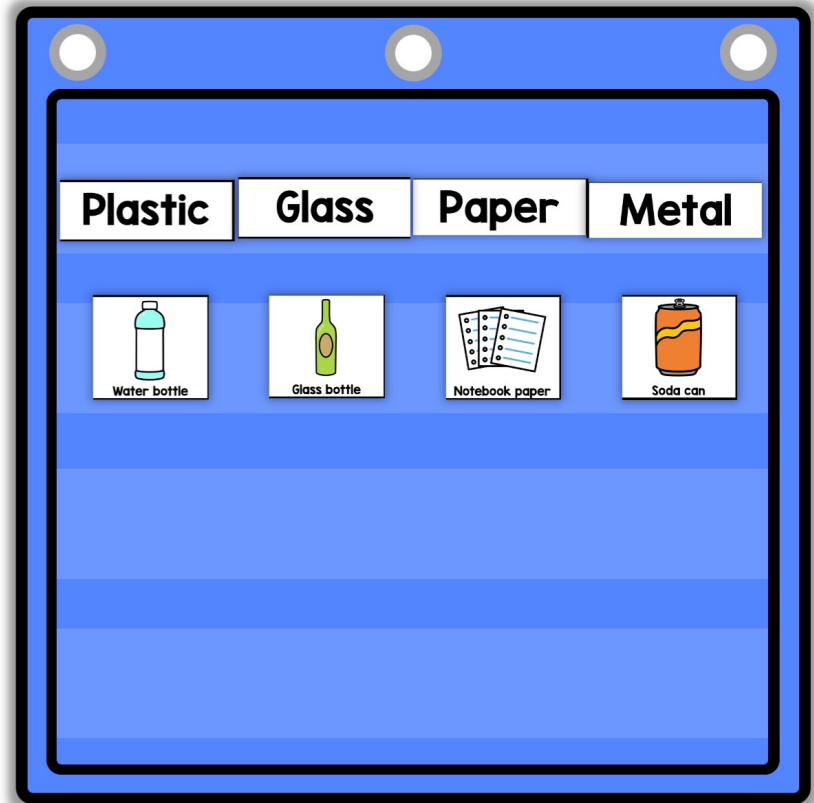
This is a basic addition game for 2-4 players. Choose the color or black & white version.

1 Sorting Activities

Individual Sorting Cards



Pocket Chart Sorting Cards



Materials needed:
Construction paper, student
scissors, glue









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Recycling Activity Pages

Labeling Page

Recycling Labels Name: _____

Directions: Cut out the words at the bottom of the page. Glue each word below the matching picture.


			
			

jar	bottle	box	cup
recycling bin	paper	envelope	can

Graphing Page

Recycling Graph Name: _____

Directions: Count how many of each type of recyclable item is below. Record your answers on the graph.



Paper	Plastic	Glass	Metal

Class Graphing Page

Our Class Recycling Graph

Name: _____

Paper: _____
 Plastic: _____
 Glass: _____
 Metal: _____

Paper	Plastic	Glass	Metal

Recycling Picture Search

Recycling Picture Search

Name: _____

Directions: Sort and glue pictures of recyclable items below.

Paper	Plastic
Glass	Metal

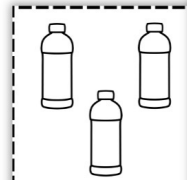
3 Interactive Book



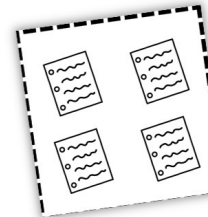
I can recycle
one box.



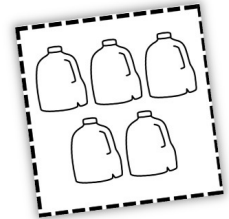
I can recycle
two glass jars.



I can recycle
three plastic bottles.



I can recycle
four papers.



I can recycle
five milk jugs.

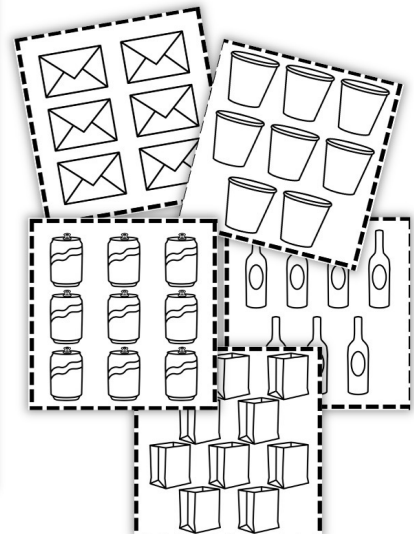
I can recycle
six envelopes.

I can recycle
seven glass bottles.

I can recycle
eight plastic cups.

I can recycle
nine cans.

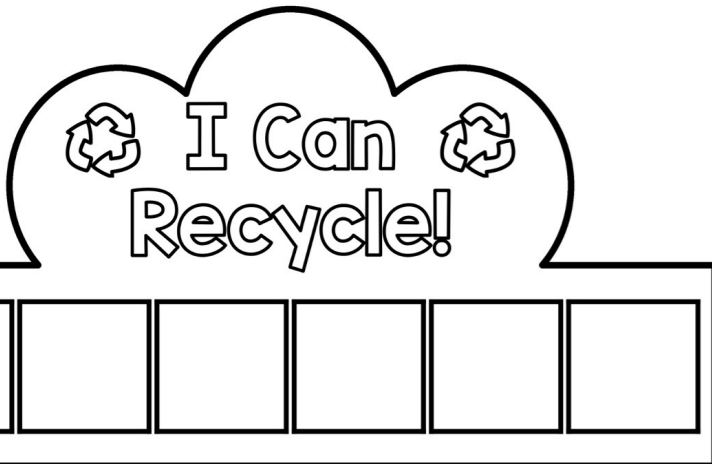
I can recycle
ten paper bags.



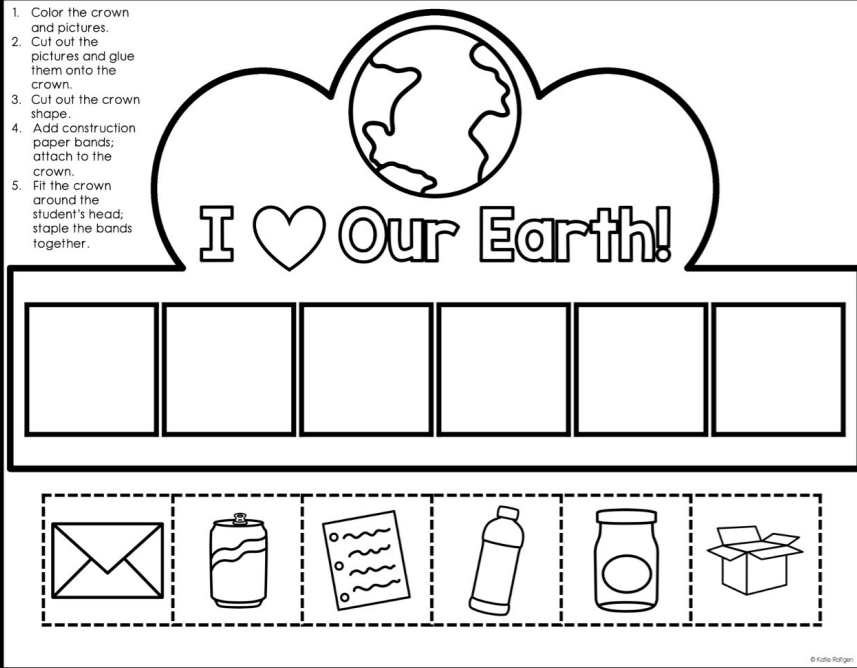
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Crown Templates

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