## **RECYCLING LESSON PLAN**

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Target Audience: Grade two

Time: 60 minutes

Class Location: computer room

Language/ Skills Focus: speaking, vocabulary, and writing

**Linguistic Learning Objective:** by the end of the lesson, students will be able to:

- use lexical items related to recycling within simple structures such as: we can recycle/we can't recycle
- use the imperative form to list ways to stop littering such as: *recycle paper*, and *don't throw papers*

Non-linguistic Learning Objective: by the end of the lesson, students will

- develop awareness towards littering by classifying the type of rubbish that can/can't be recycled
- develop negotiation skills
- list solutions to help reduce littering
- create posters to promote saving the environment

**Materials:** LCD and projector- photocopies of the task sheet 1- scoring board- cardboards, markers, glue sticks, scissors and markers.

Stage	Procedures	Time	Interaction
Warm up	Bring in four plastic bags; each containing different	10	Group work
	items for example pieces of aluminum foil, scrap	minutes	
	papers, banana skins, plastic bottles, batteries, empty		
	cans, glass bars, aerosol cans, paper boxes, some		
	newspaper, and cup cakes.		
	Divide class into four small groups. Assign each group		
	a letter name: A, B, C, and D. Give each group one		
	bag.		

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Help groups to recycle the vocabulary of the items in		
their bags. Write the vocabulary on the board.		
Ask each group to focus on their bag and decide if any		
of the items could go to a recycling company.		
Stick two newspaper sheets; one on each side of the		
class. Write (Can recycle) on sheet 1, and (Can't		
recycle) on sheet 2.		
Explain task: ask students to stand up, walk round the		
class, and write on sheet 1 the name of the items they		Pair work
decided to send to the recycling company, and on sheet	10	
2 the items which won't go to the recycling company.	minutes	
Allow time for students to go round the class to peer		
correct. Leave the newspaper sheets hanging for a later		
discussion.		
Divide class into pairs. Give each pair one copy of		
Task sheet 1. Explain task. Have pairs unscramble as		
many recycling related words as they could. Set time		
limit.		
Task sheet 1		
In pairs, unscramble words related to recycling		
Words Answers		
PAREP		
TLEIT R		
LOETSTB		
ECRECLY		
TCSIPLA		
ATESW		

	EWEANSRPP		
	SNCA		
	EUSRE		
	RECEDU		
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	Ask pairs to exchange sheets. Encourage peer correction. Place the model answer on the board for		
	pairs to finalize their correction.		
	Use the structure below to help students recap items		
	that can/can't be recycled:		
	We can recycle, but we can't recycle		
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Before	• Ask students: Why do we need to recycle? Elicit	5	Students-
watching	different reasons for recycling.	minutes	teacher
	Write the students' suggestions on one side of the		
	board.		
While	Type the following link on the big screen	8	Whole class
watching	http://funschool.kaboose.com/globe-rider/earth-	minutes	
	day/interactive/slideshow.html#. The slide show will		
	display 5 different ways to stop littering and save the		
	planet.		
	Play the slide show once; then ask students to state	5	Whole class
	orally as many ways as possible to stop littering. Write	minutes	
	students' answers on the board. Encourage students to		
	follow the structure used in the slide. Write the		
	structure in different colors to highlight the imperative		
	form and noun.		
	Turn off the tape Don't litter Ride your bike		

		Play the slide show again to confirm what is on the		
		board.		
	•	Ask students to list more ways of saving the		
		environment. Encourage students to use verbs in the		
		imperative form. Suggested answers: recycle paper,		
		turn light on, walk to school, and don't throw papers		
		on the floor.		
Game	•	Divide the class into four groups. Assign new names to	10	Group work
time		the four groups: Paper, Plastic, Metal and Glass.	minutes	
	•	Introduce two different recycling games (one game for		
		each two groups).		
	•	Announce a competition between each two groups; the		
		group that finishes first wins.		
	•	Ask the Paper and Metal groups to click on the		
		following link (already minimized on their screens)		
		http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/en/fun-		
		games/clean-and-green. Explain the task.		
	•	Introduce the Paper and Metal groups to the messy		
		room, which will appear once they click on the link.		
		There is a lot of rubbish lying everywhere. Students in		
		their groups need to drag and drop the rubbish in the		
		correct recycling bin. For example, if the object is		
		made of glass, students need to drag it to the recycle		
		bin marked 'glass'.		
	•	Set the time limit. The group that finishes dragging and		
		dropping all 12 objects first wins.		
	•	Ask the Plastic and Glass groups to click on the		
		following link (already minimized on their screens)		
		http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/kids/games/actiong		
		ames/recycle-roundup/. Explain the task.		
	•	Introduce the Plastic and Glass groups to Gus, who		
		needs help picking up all the litter in the park in order		
		to leave the neighborhood clean. Students in their		
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	groups need to throw the rubbish in the right recycling		
	bins: the blue bin (what can be recycled), the red bin		
	(what can be trashed), and the green bin (what can be		
	composted).		
	• Set the time limit. The group with more rubbish thrown		
	into the correct bins wins.		
	• Remind groups that their scores will appear on the		
	screen once the game is over. The group with the		
	highest score wins.		
	• After the winning group is announced, ask groups to sit		
	in a circle and debrief on the items they recycled.		
	• Ask groups to refer back to the newspaper sheets		
	hanging on the wall. Encourage students to revise the		
	words they have written earlier on the newspaper		
	sheets.		
	• Monitor and give feedback on groups' recycling work.		
Mini	• Announce crafts time. Have students sit on the floor in	12	Individual
project	circles. Put in the middle of each circle some	minutes	work
	cardboards, markers, scissors and glue sticks.		
	• Announce a competition between individual students to		
	see who can make the coolest poster on how to save the		
	environment.		
	• The winner(s) should satisfy the following criteria: a		
	poster that raises the audience's awareness to the		
	importance of recycling and provides solutions on how		
	to save the planet. The poster also needs to include the		
	vocabulary and structure covered earlier in the lesson.		
	• The winner(s) will get a chance to hang their poster on		
	the hallway walls.		
	• In a subsequent class, students will get a chance to give		
	a 3-minute presentation on their posters.		

## Task sheet 1- Answer

Words **Answers PAREP** paper **TLEITR** litter LOETSTB bottles **ECRECLY** recycle plastic **TCSIPLA ATESW** waste **EWEANSRPP** newspaper **SNCA** cans **EUSRE** reuse **RECEDU** reduce

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