

Plastic and the 3 Rs: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle



The 3 Rs and the Products of the Future

Reduce



To "reduce" means to limit the amount of things we throw away.

What do you think is the most effective way to reduce waste?

- a. Use paper bags
- b. Not create it in the first place!
- c. Use biodegradable bags



Reduce

Can you think of ways to reduce plastic?

- ▶ Bring your own shopping bags
- ▶ Use a reusable water bottle or cup for beverages and containers for lunch
- ▶ Say no to disposable straws and cutlery
- ▶ Do not use the plastic produce bags
- ▶ Store leftovers in glass jars
- ▶ Share your tips with family and friends
- ▶ ...



Reuse

To "reuse" means to use an object again instead of throwing it away.

- ▶ Can you think of ways that you could reuse a plastic bottle?



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Recycle

To "recycle" means to take a product that can no longer be used and have it sent to a recycling center to be broken down and made into something new.

- ▶ What can you do? Think of everyday things you can do to reduce, reuse and recycle!



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