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Parents and Educators



## Earth Friendly Art



### Suggested Age

- Pre-Kindergarten
- Kindergarten
- Standard I
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### Educational Goal

- Expose children to recycling.



### Materials



- Household items that would usually be thrown out, such as old clothes, newspaper, packaging, and broken toys
- Markers, pens, crayons, or pencils
- Glue



### Directions

1. Walk around the house with your child collecting items that would usually be thrown out. Do not use anything sharp, rusty, or broken that may hurt your child. Look for items like old clothing, newspapers, and cardboard boxes. If possible, walk around a neighbour's house as well.
2. Tell your child you are now going to use your imagination to create a sculpture out of the items you find. Together, put the items together to make art.
3. While you are making art, discuss why too much trash is bad for the earth. Discuss how litter clogs waterways and ruins water supplies. Discuss how animals sometimes eat trash and get sick. Discuss how when trash rots it can ruin the soil. Discuss how we can avoid all these problems if we make less trash.
4. Display your art for friends and family to admire.

### Additional Activities



- Organize a cleanup in your community. Pick up all the trash on the stretch of road in your neighbourhood. Make sure to wear rubber or plastic gloves, and make sure every child is accompanied by an adult who can handle items that might be sharp, broken, or need special handling. While cleaning up, save recyclable items. When you are done, use the items to create more art.
- Think of ways in which you can reduce the amount of trash you create as a family. Ask your child, "Are there different products you can buy that use less packaging? Are there places or people who recycle newspaper and other paper products? Are there items you throw out that could be reused in some way?"