# **Recyclingo!**



# Introduction

Since the students are now familiar with the concept of Reduce, Reuse, Refuse, Recycle & Repair, it is time for them to learn about the difference between the materials. It is also important for them to know which items can be recycled and which items cannot.

#### **Objectives**

Students will be able to:

• Understand how some daily-use items stay in nature for a long time.

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#### Time required/Duration

Classroom session 1: 40 minutes (10 minutes for background information and introducing the rules for the game 30 minutes for conducting the game)



#### **Resources Required**

- List of 20 recyclable items and all the items mentioned in the list
- List of 20 non-recyclable items and all the items mentioned in the list
- 2 small boxes per kid
- Pen/pencil
- Resource 1: Non-recyclable material
- Resource 2: Recyclable material
- (5X5 matrix sheet)



# Classroom Session



- Prepare a list of 20 recyclable and 20 non-recyclable items each which are used daily. (Tip: Include those items which the students come across daily, for them to connect better).
- Represent the items in a 5X5 matrix.
- Create randomized versions of each list and circulate it among the students.
- Call out a random item, one item at a time. The sequence will be spontaneous. Instruct
  the students to tick the respective item off their list and mark R for Recyclable and NR
  for Non-recyclable.

- Whoever ticks off 5 rows (vertical, horizontal or diagonal) is encouraged to come forward and share his/her list and the explanation for placing them under any of the categories.
- Further, all the students are encouraged to share their thoughts on the exercise.
- Ask them to address:
  - o What is recyclable and non-recyclable material?
  - o What are the common products that fall under each category?
  - o Where they can be deposited the recyclable material?
  - o Tell them to collect information on where does the non-recyclable product end up?

# Resource 1 List of Recyclable items

soda can	plastic water bottle	newspaper	cereal box	old computer
glass bottle	egg carton	magazine	cotton t-shirt	steel spoon
plastic straw	cardboard box	smartphone	tin can	plastic milk carton

# Resource 2 List of Non-recyclable items

Spoiled pizza	dirty sponge	take-away	ceramic mug	medical cream
box		coffee cup		tube
Styrofoam plate	chemical	medical cream	White board	mirrors
	container	tube	marker	
light bulb	used toilet paper	photograph	chips bag	Glue stick

#### Resource 3:5 X 3 matrix

spoiled pizza box	soda can	medical cream	smartphone	tin can R/NR
R/NR	R/NR	tube R/NR	R/NR	
plastic straw	newspaper	egg carton	mirrors R/NR	used toilet paper
R/NR	R/NR	R/NR		R/NR
White board	take-away	plastic milk	photograph	cotton t-shirt
marker R/NR	coffee cup R/NR	carton R/NR	R/NR	R/NR

<sup>\*</sup>The items that can/cannot be recycled might differ according to the country.