

Rethink

Make smart decisions to
reduce and reuse things.



How can you rethink?



Think, "Instead of using wrapping paper that can pollute the ocean, I could reuse compostable newspaper and create my own!"



Think, "Instead of using these plastic cups for my lemonade stand, I could use paper cups!"



Refuse

Stop using single-use items
that can pollute the ocean.



How can you refuse?



Stop using plastic bags and bottles and start using paper bags and metal water bottles.



Stop using plastic straws and start using metal straws.



Reduce

If we buy less stuff, we can enjoy the things we have and create less trash.



How can you reduce?



Don't buy that shiny new backpack, but instead keep your old one. This way, you won't create harmful trash.



Finish things before you buy new ones. You'd like to buy that new watercolor set that everyone likes, but you should finish your current watercolors first.



Reuse

Reuse everything. This way,
you'll create less trash.



How can you reuse?



Don't throw away those old empty jars—use them to hold your favorite jams!



Don't waste cardboard boxes—let them carry books, paints, tools, and more!



Refurbish

Give your old things a new
life. Be creative!



How can you refurbish?



Upcycle your old clothes or create bags and accessories from them.



Have old furniture? Disassemble them and create fun things!



Repair

Extend the life of your belongings.
Repair before you replace.



How can you repair?



Before throwing away that torn stuffed doll, try sewing it up. You'll stop making waste and end up with a new hobby!



If you have a book with a torn cover, try repairing it before it goes to the trash.



Repurpose

Give your things a new purpose!



How can you repurpose?



Repurpose your magazines to make artwork! Cut out pieces of magazines to make a collage!



Don't waste your old toothbrushes. Use them to scrub hard-to-reach places.



Recycle

When it's really time to let something go,
try recycling rather than trashing it.



How can you recycle?



You can recycle cardboard,
paper, glass, plastics,
batteries, electronic, and more!

