

EDUCATORS CLASSROOM IDEAS

THE GREAT RECYCLING RACE

HELP STUDENTS VISUALIZE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MATERIALS

Materials:

- Recyclables
- Recycling Cans (one for each material you are using in the game)

Rules:

- Have recyclables brought in by students from home or collected in the classroom after a long day of learning
- Place these materials in a pile at one side of the room
- Split the classroom into 2 groups forming a line each
- The students at the head of each line will grab a random recyclable and quickly run to the opposite side of the room to place it in the bin that best suits their item (eg. paper, metal, or plastic)
- * For older students or a more advanced game consider adding non-recyclables to the pile. Teachers can also look at their communities recycling guidelines to help students identify what materials can be recycled at their neighborhood facility.

