

National Institute of Open Schooling
Secondary Course : English
Lesson 20 : New Good Things From Rubbish
Worksheet – 20

1. Reusing of waste is beneficial as it will help to save our natural resources which are limited in quantity. The reuse of waste will reduce the pollution caused by burning it. Comment briefly on the statement.
2. 'We do not own the Earth, we hold it in trust for the future generations.' Try to explain this line in 30-40 words.
3. Why recycling is beneficial to the world? Which waste material is most difficult to recycle and why?
4. Give some examples of new products made from recycling?
5. Recycling is the process of collecting and processing materials that would otherwise be thrown away as trash and turning them into new products. Recycling can benefit your community, the economy and the environment. Do you agree with the definition of recycling. Give your views in about 50 words.
6. Recycling rubbish not only helps save money-it also helps the environment. Explain this statement in your own words.
7. Are paper or plastic shopping bags better for the environment? How about reusable bags versus disposal bags?
8. Think about and write down three more ways in which paper is often wasted. What can we do to put a check on such wastage? Suggest any two ways.
9. Read the passage and answer the following questions:

The best way to save glass is to reuse glass bottles and other glass objects to the maximum. Glass can also be recycled to form new glass objects. Recycling broken glass of mixed colours only produces green coloured glass. Therefore, the best way to recycle glass is to separate broken glass by colour, and then remelt it to produce new glass objects. Another important material that should be recycled is paper, as half of the world's waste is paper. In general in India we reuse a lot of things and avoid waste. But in the twenty first century we Indians copy some of the wasteful habits of people in western countries (such as using more and more disposable paper items for the sake of convenience). We should be aware of these changes in our habits and try to control them. All of us should try to check waste in any form.

- Do you believe in reusing glass bottles?
- What is the best way to recycle glass?
- Why is it important to check waste?
- "In general in India we reuse a lot of things and avoid waste." explain the line in about 30-40 words.

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10. Write a letter to the editor of a renowned Indian newspaper on the topic of increasing pollution and the need to be a responsible citizen.