

Lesson 60

This isn't recyclable.

Target: Having a conversation about recycling.

Vocabulary

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Recycling



Related vocabulary

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| - to compost... / a compost pit | - to be burnable | - a trash compactor |
| - a tip / a dump / a landfill | - to be green | - a waste receptacle |
| - to be recyclable / to recycle... / recyclables | - to dispose of... | - a garbage disposal |
| - to reuse... | - sustainability | - to be incombustible |
| - to reduce... | - a greenhouse | - to be combustible |
| - to incinerate.... | - to be organic | - to be biodegradable |
| - an incinerator | - to be remade into... | - to break down |

Conversation

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1 Use the questions below to have a conversation with your partner about the topic

Partner #1: Questions

1. What are the advantages of having your own greenhouse?
2. What can / can't you recycle?
3. What are the benefits of composting?
4. Should people be fined if they don't recycle?
5. How do you separate your recyclables?
6. What does "sustainability" mean to you?
7. What do you think the phrase "ecological footprint" means?
8. How does recycling affect our environment?
9. Have you ever been to a tip / dump / landfill? What was it like?
10. What are the benefits of recycling? How does recycling improve the environment?

Partner #2: Questions

1. What are some things that take a really long time to break down?
2. What are some different ways you can recycle or reuse different items?
3. What do you think the world would be like without recycling?
4. What should teachers teach their students about recycling in school?
5. Does anyone you know have a compost pit? What do they usually put in it?
6. What day do different recyclables go out? Where do you put them?
7. What do you think would happen if supermarkets in Japan made using eco-bags mandatory?
8. What countries have better / worse recycling systems than Japan?
9. Have you ever used an incinerator? What things did you incinerate?
10. Give an example of how you can reduce, reuse, recycle in your everyday life.

2 Complete one or more of the situations below

- 1. Role play:** Partner #1 & 2: You are at a town meeting. You want your town to be the most environmentally-friendly town in Japan. Discuss ways in which you can achieve this.
- 2. Speech:** Explain your opinion of recycling and what things you normally recycle.
- 3. Speech:** Go to a primary school and educate the students there on the benefits of recycling.
- 4. Debate:** You think the idea of recycled water is a good idea, but your partner doesn't agree.