

## Earth Day Contest 2020

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Trash has a multitude of uses other than just sitting in a trash can all day. We can reuse and recycle garbage for greater uses. We can reuse a baby wipe container for a pencil case or recycle glass as a use for lightbulbs. There are so many creative ideas to re-imagine a better future!

We can recycle garbage and plastic to make packaging for goods that are shipped to your home. Afterwards, you can deliver those reusable boxes to a local post office destination. When the post office workers obtain the reusable boxes, they will be able to sanitize them for another great use for packaging next time.

We can use old plastic containers that were once used in a household, to grow plants for a family. I use plastic containers with my dad to grow a beautiful succulent plant collection for my garden. The plastic container will act as a greenhouse to plant seeds, vegetables, and fruits. This would be useful for plants that live in a climate with temperate temperatures. A family can save money by growing their own fruits and vegetables. Possibly, a family can even sell these fresh goods at Farmers Market nearby.

Perhaps, we can buy refills for everyday products, such as cleaning products. This can help save plastic. I know my family buys refills of hand soap and cleaning spray. Instead of buying a small a bottle of hand soap, you can go to a local store and consider buying a larger amount with a better value. Sometimes, the refill is cheaper than buying one single hand soap.

We can recycle glass bottles as a use for lightbulbs. This can help save glass that can be used for other items. These recycled lightbulbs will not only make your house bright, but you can also be doing a good deed by saving the Planet.

If you need school or office supplies, to make stationary Earth friendly, you can use a baby wipe container to make a pencil box. If you feel this isn't your style, or it's too bland, feel free to decorate it. You can decorate it with paints, drawings, or use old cd's that are broken apart, then glue them to the pencil box. The finished product will look awesome and it will be Earth friendly.

Finally, we can recycle garbage to make books (for the book cover, book jacket, or pages). We can flatten out garbage to make a "garbage sheet", instead of cutting trees for paper. This can be similar to paper for writing down thoughts.

In conclusion, there are many ways that we can helps save the Earth and re-imagine ideas for a better future. "Recycle today, for a better tomorrow." (by Anonymous)