



Patty Packrat's Thinking Cap Questions

*Follow-up questions to answer
at home or in the classroom.*

Level 2

Reduce

Use it up
Wear it out
Make it do
Or do without!

This is a quote from our 32nd United States president, Franklin D. Roosevelt.
Can you make up your own quote about *reducing* trash?

Reuse

As a classroom activity, organize a Swap Day. Have everyone in your class bring in one or two items from home that they no longer want. Students can then pick one item from the other kids' stuff that they want to take home. Anything leftover can be donated to a local charity or thrift shop.

List some of the things you might bring in for Swap Day:



Recycle

Each arrow in the recycling symbol represents one step in the recycling process. One step is given below. What are the other 2 steps needed to complete the recycling cycle?



Collect and sort recyclables

Landfill

Would you want a landfill in your backyard? Why or why not?

Household Hazardous Waste

Circle the items below that look hazardous (dangerous) to you.



If you have leftovers of these items, should you throw them in your regular trash? Why or why not?