



Have you ever shopped at a thrift store?	Have you ever donated your old clothes?	Do you turn off the lights when you leave a room?	Do you turn off the water while you are brushing your teeth?	Do you recycle at home?
Have you ever picked up litter?	Have you ever helped with a beach or river clean-up?	Have you ever been to a landfill?	Have you ever been to a recycling center?	Do you avoid buying products that involve too much packaging?
Do you recycle at school?	Do you walk to places instead of getting a ride or driving?	Do you wash containers before putting them in the recycling bin?	Do you ride your bike or skateboard instead of getting a ride or driving?	Do you celebrate Earth Day?
Have you ever planted a tree?	Do you ever read environmental news?	Do you use rechargeable batteries?	Will you register to vote when you turn 18?	Do you know the difference between reducing, reusing and recycling?
Do you own a reusable water bottle?	Do you turn off your computer monitor when you are not using it?	Do you always throw your trash away in trashcans?	Do you know where the water ends up after it goes down the drain?	Do you know what items can be recycled in your city?

When you buy used clothes you are giving it a 'second life' instead of it going to the landfill!	Instead of throwing your old clothes away, you can help the environment by donating them. You could also be helping someone in need!	You can reduce the cost of your electricity bill by just turning the lights off when you leave a room.	If everyone in your family leaves the water on while brushing their teeth, as much as 600 gallons can be wasted each month.	Each year, the U.S uses 85.5 million tons of paper, of which we recycle only 22% or 19 million tons.
Each person generates about 5 pounds of garbage per day	Whales mistake plastic bags for squid, and birds may mistake plastic pellets for fish eggs.	Methane produced by landfills is a major greenhouse gas 20 to 30 times more potent in its greenhouse effects than Carbon Dioxide.	Every Sunday, Americans waste 90 percent of recyclable newspapers. This wastes 500,000 trees!	Packaging now accounts for 64 million tons by weight or 33% of all our garbage
An aluminum can that is not recycled takes between 200 to 500 years to decompose. RECYCLE!	Reducing the use of the air conditioner in your car will reduce the air pollution you create.	By not washing out what you recycle you could be contaminating other recyclables; this prevents the item from actually being recycled.	Exhaust emissions from cars is one of the largest contributors to air pollution	Earth Day started in 1970, it has made people more aware of environmental issues. One major result is that the national air quality has improved over the past thirty years. (If EARTH started in 1970, then anyone over 36 was born on Mars?)
One tree removes 330 pounds of greenhouse gases every year. (Yikes! Where did the billion come from? 330 lbs is a statistic on CO2 from the Forest Service...)	Staying informed about the environment can make you aware of the choices you make in your everyday life.	Helps the environment, saves you money and keeps batteries out of the landfill (2 billion annually)	Voting is your chance to let your voice be heard. You can help the environment by voting!	Reuse of products prolongs the useful life of these materials, thus delaying final disposal or recycling.
In California, nearly 3 million plastic bottles are going into the trash every day. That adds up to more than 1 billion plastic water bottles a year.	It's a myth that it takes more energy to start a computer than to keep it running. You can always use the sleep or standby mode.	Water we swim in, sail in and surf in can get more and more polluted with each piece of litter that is tossed onto the roadways.	When using water indoors, it goes down the drain, into the house pipes, to the sewer pipe, to the wastewater treatment plant and finally to the sewer outfall that goes into the ocean.	You can recycle paper, aluminum cans and plastic. Paper that cannot be recycled includes food-contaminated paper, sanitary products or tissues.