



Ipswich City Council

WHAT A WASTE!

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Activity Booklet

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‘WHAT A WASTE!’ ACTIVITY BOOK

Welcome to Ipswich City Council’s ‘What a Waste!’ Activity Book.

Rubbish is a problem to the health of local environments. There are many natural environments located in Ipswich including school grounds, the local park and waterways. Ipswich’s Conservation Estates, Parks and Reserves are also important natural environments.

The actions you can take will help to create a healthier environment for all! Complete these activities and enjoy learning more about – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Rethink.



WHAT'S INSIDE YOUR RECYCLING BIN?

Which of these things can go in the recycling bin?

Draw a line to show what can go in the recycling bin and place a cross **X** next to the things that cannot be recycled.

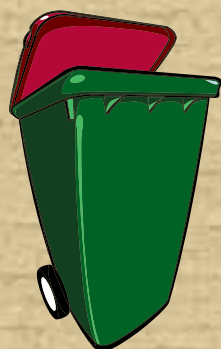


Can you count how many things could go in the recycling bin?

MATCH THE WASTE TO THE BIN

Can you match the rubbish to the correct bin?

Make sure to consider recycling and composting!



PLASTIC POLLY AT THE RECYCLING FACTORY

Plastic Polly has been put into a recycling bin.

She will go to the recycling factory to be made into something new.

Join the dots to see what Polly looks like now.



FIND THE LITTER

People have been dropping litter on the ground, making a big mess!

Draw a circle around each piece of litter you can see.



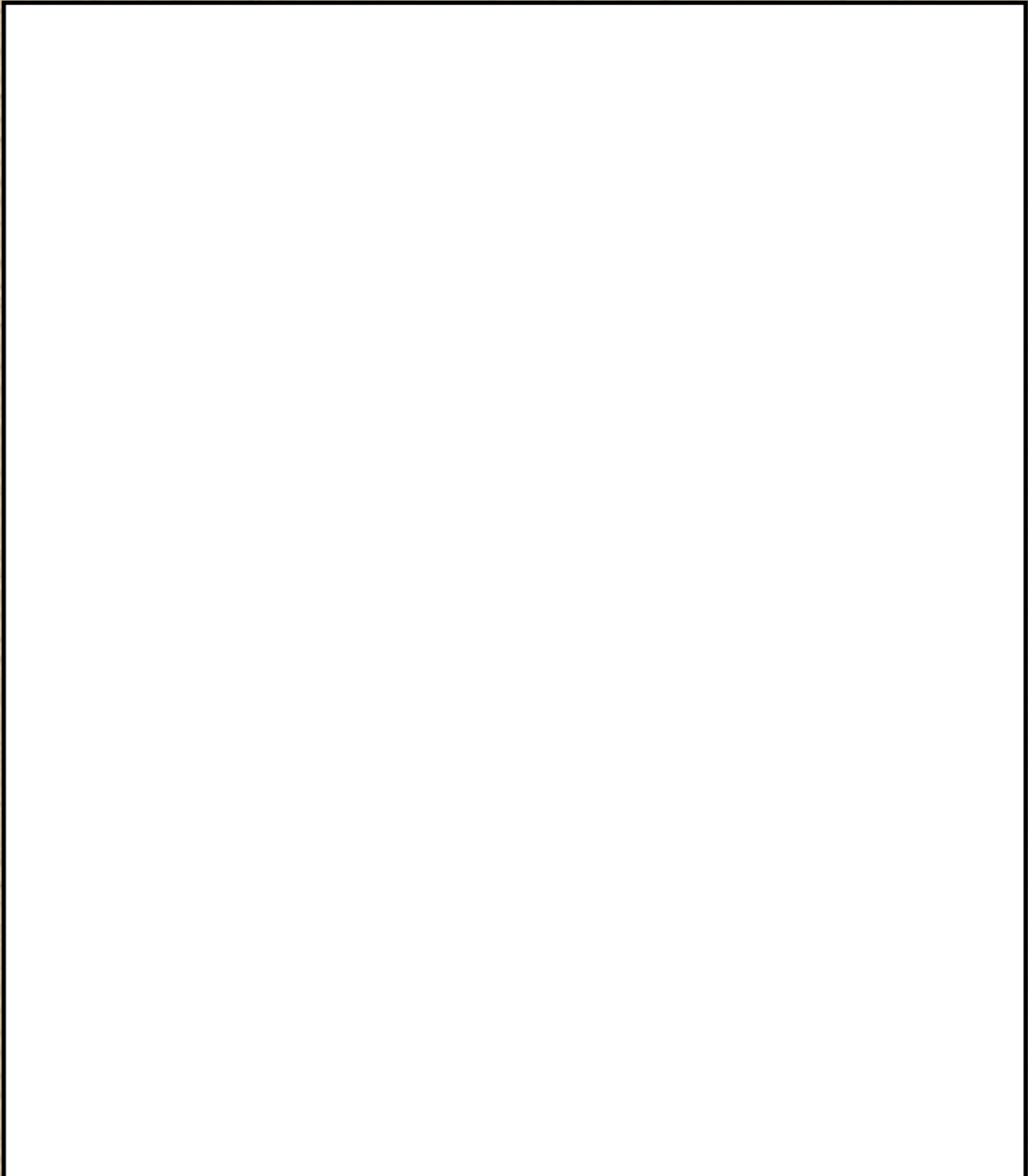
How many rubbish bins can you see?



DRAW YOUR POLLUTION FREE HABITAT

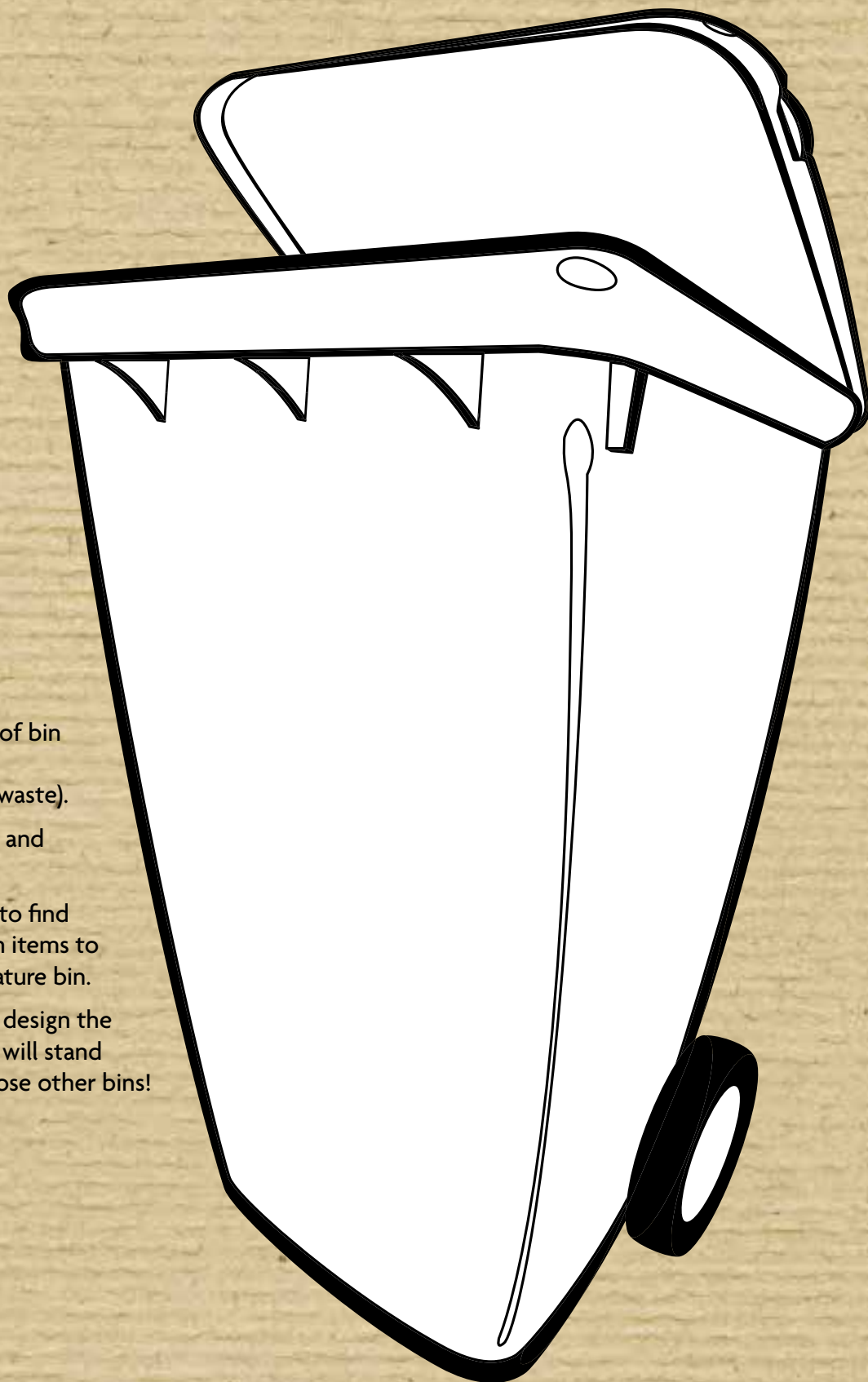
Healthy environments provide homes for our wildlife.

Pollution is dangerous to our wildlife and the health of parks and environments. Select a native Australian animal and using the empty space below, draw the perfect habitat for our native wildlife, without the rubbish.

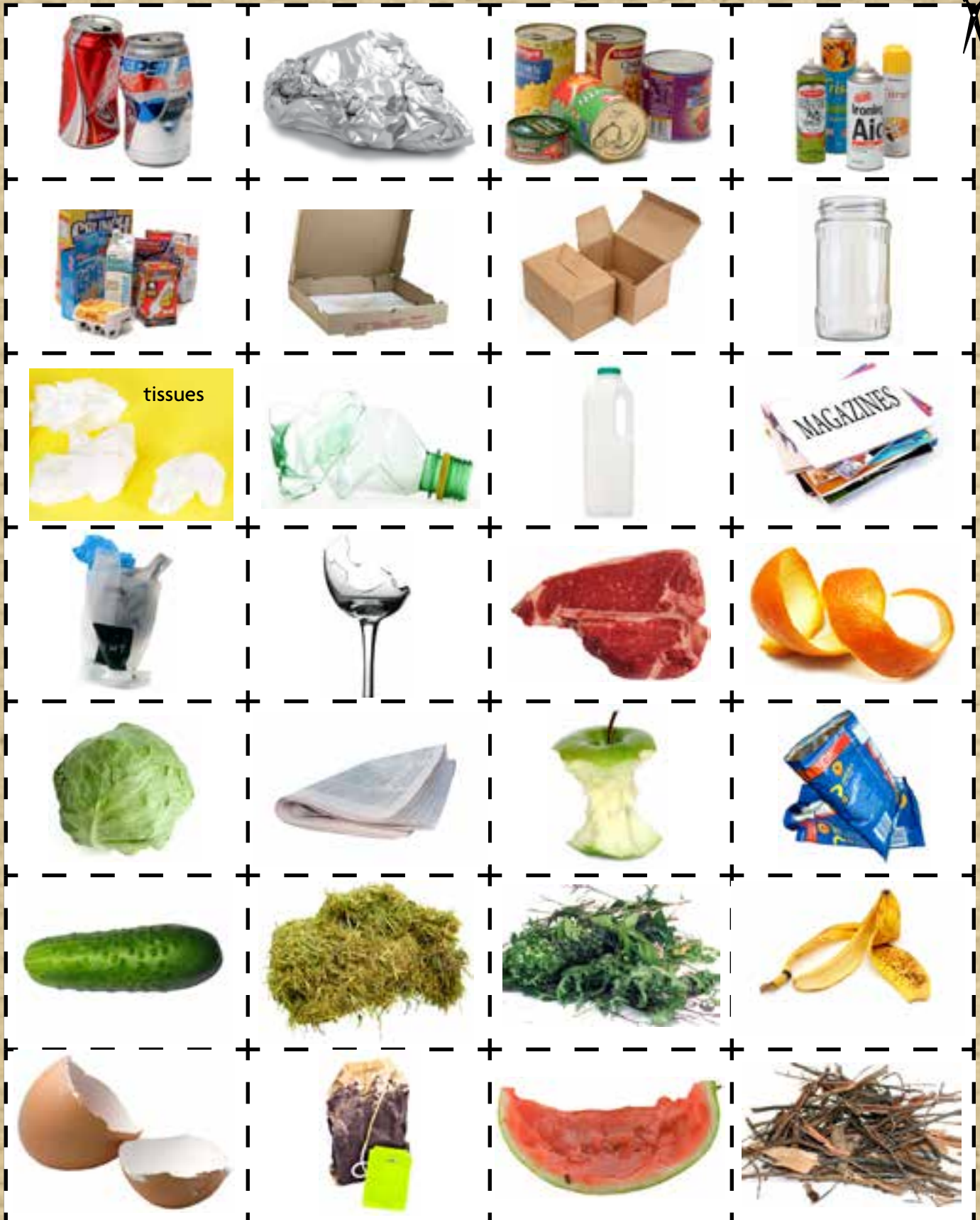


DESIGN YOUR 3D BIN

Putting our waste in the bin plays a very important role in protecting the health of our environment, including wildlife, plants, schools, home, parks and the bush!



1. First, select a type of bin (eg. general waste, recycling or green waste).
2. Create your design and decorate the bin.
3. Use the next page to find the correct rubbish items to put into your miniature bin.
4. Try and make your design the most creative so it will stand out amongst all those other bins!



COMPOST AND WORMS

Worms like lots of different foods but there are some things they don't like to eat.

Can you spot the food the worms will eat? Draw a line for all the correct food items to the worm farm and mark a cross **X** next to the things that should not be fed to worms.

eg.

eg.

Can you count how many pieces of food that can be fed to worms?

COMPOST CREATURES

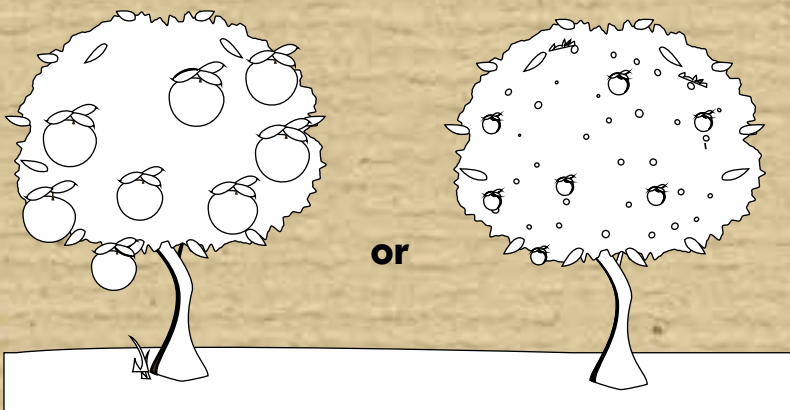
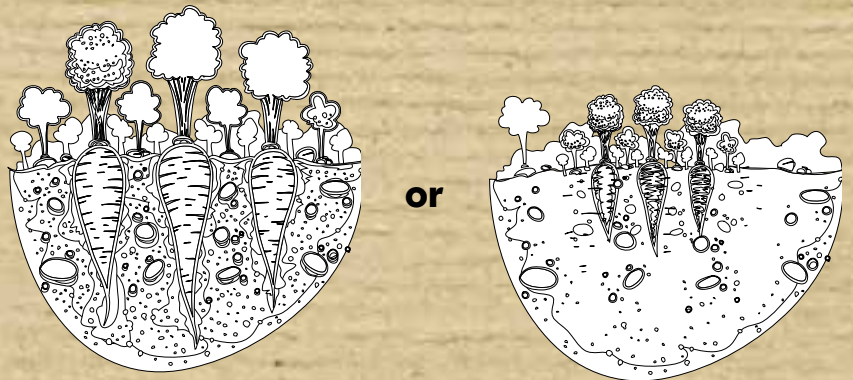
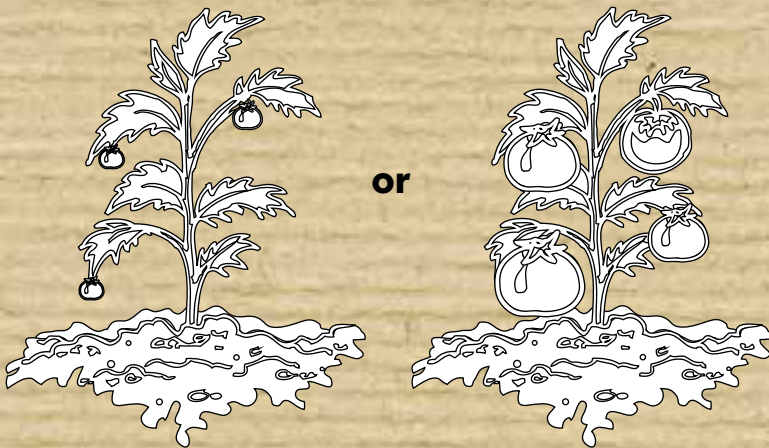
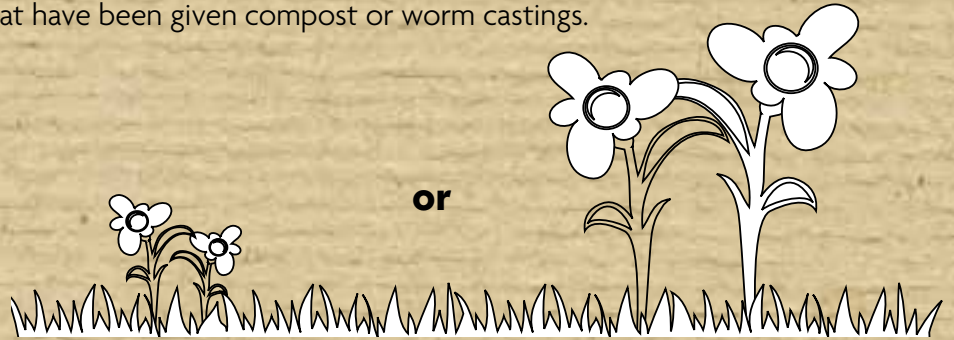
Help Mr Worm and Mr Bug get through the compost maze to their apple cores for lunch.



HAPPY PLANTS

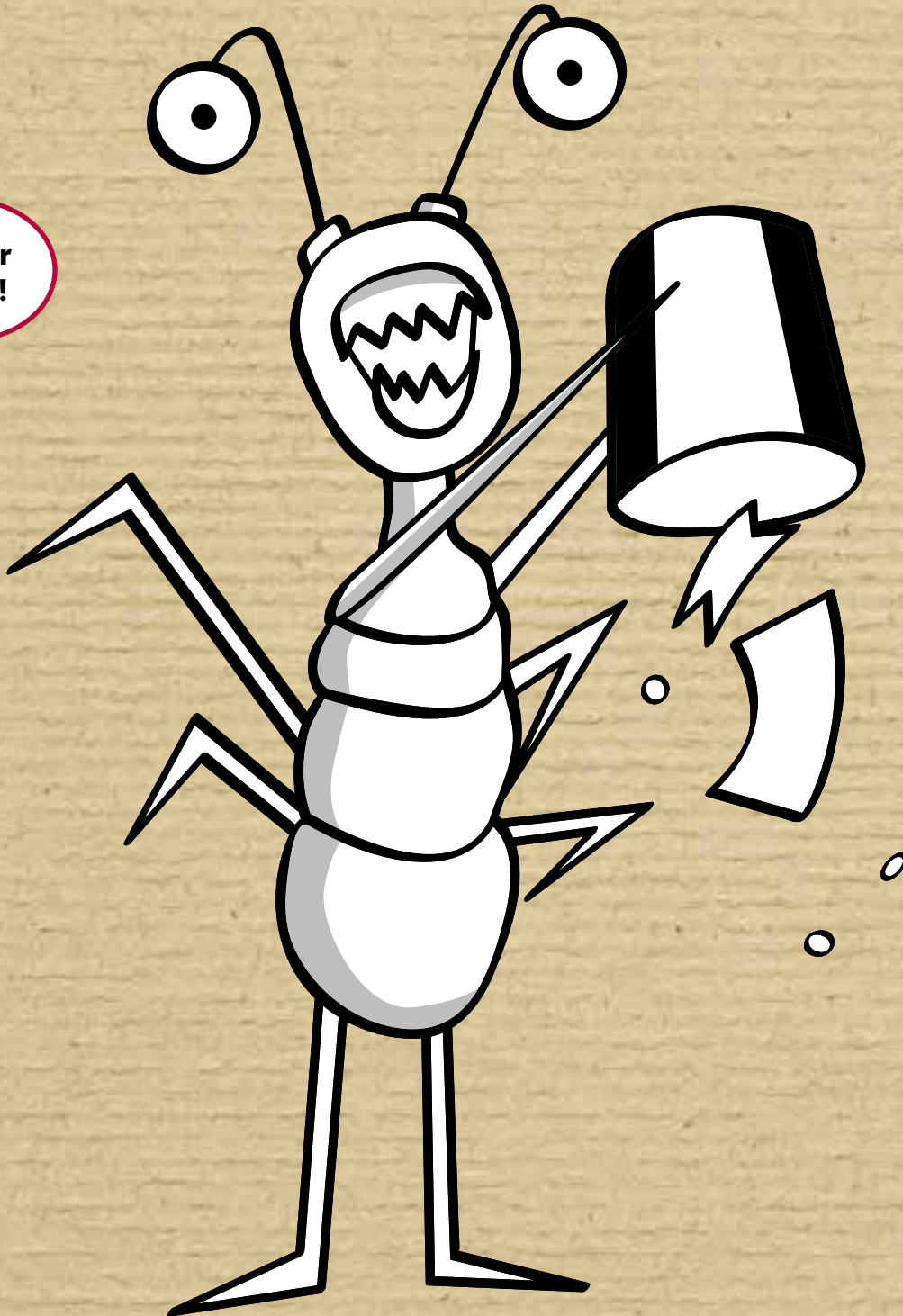
Plants love compost and worm castings.

Draw a circle around the plants that have been given compost or worm castings.



DON'T BE A

Colour
me in!



LITTER BUG!

WAIT TO FIND A BIN

Colour
me in!



TO PUT THE LITTER IN!

WORD SEARCH

Q	S	I	N	L	T	E	R	S	M	T
P	D	R	E	D	U	C	E	F	L	N
C	F	K	O	I	G	O	U	Y	W	E
O	X	W	S	T	V	R	S	H	Z	M
M	R	E	C	Y	C	L	E	P	C	N
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G	R	E	E	N	D	I	R	P	J	E

REDUCE

RECYCLE

REUSE

WASTE

ENVIRONMENT

COMPOST

GREEN

BIN




























POLLUTION

CRACK THE CODE

To become a 'Waste Ambassador', we must all put our waste in the bin.

Sadly, when rubbish is not correctly put in the bin, it can enter our creeks, rivers and oceans. This can harm our environment and the wildlife living in these areas. It also makes our parks and schools look dirty!

In order for you to become a 'Waste Ambassador', use the key below and match the letters to the pictures, to unlock the hidden message. Let's work together to care for our environment.

A 	G 	M 	S 	Y 
B 	H 	N 	T 	Z 
C 	I 	O 	U 	! 
D 	J 	P 	V 	
E 	K 	Q 	W 	
F 	L 	R 	X 	



























































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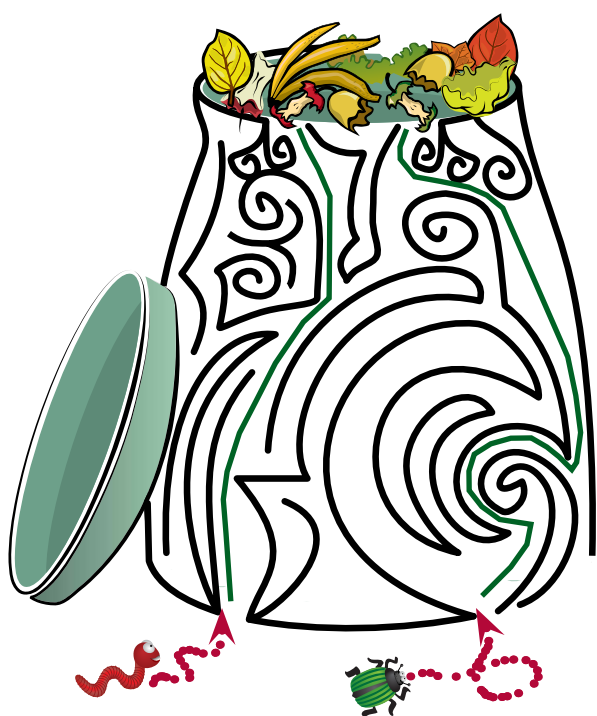
The illustration depicts a busy beach day. In the background, a boy surfs on a wave. Other children are swimming, playing in the sand, and building castles. A dog is also present. Scattered throughout the scene are various items of waste, each highlighted by a green circle: a plastic bottle near a girl on a pink inflatable ring; a glass bottle near a boy in the water; a banana peel near a boy on a yellow inflatable ring; a paper cup near a boy building a sandcastle; a sandwich wrapper near a girl in the water; a crumpled paper bag near a boy in the water; a small toy car near a girl on a pink inflatable ring; a broken toy near a boy in the water; a crab near a boy in the water; and a piece of wood near a boy in the water. A recycling bin is located on the left side of the beach.

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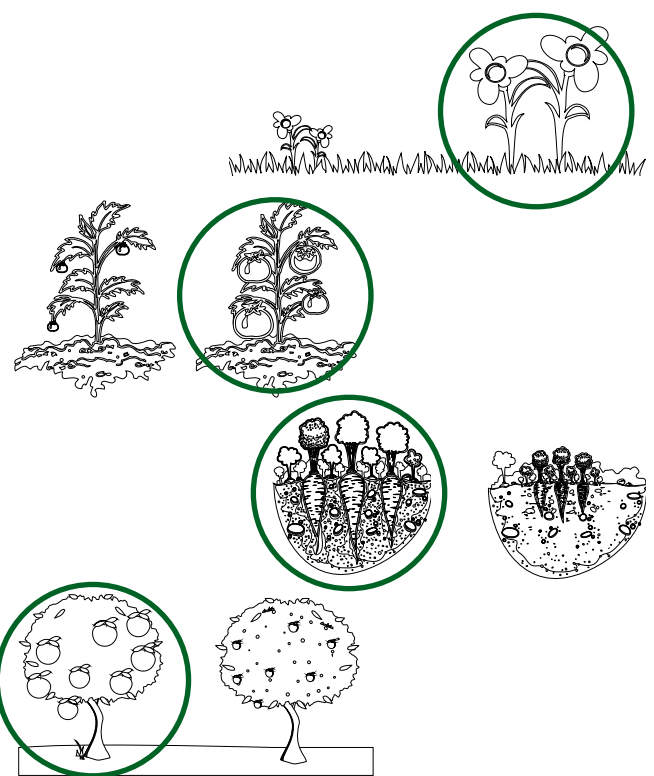


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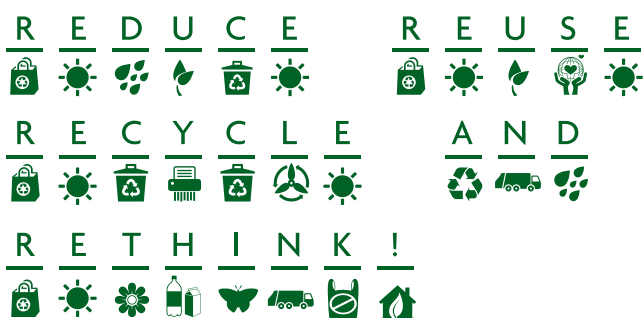
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O	X	W	S	T	V	R	S	H	Z	M
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O	G	P	A	D	M	W	W	L	K	R
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EnviroEd

FREE environmental education

Council also offers programs through EnviroEd, an initiative from the Ipswich Enviroplan consisting of FREE environmental education for schools, community groups and Ipswich families.

- School education programs – lessons developed for inside and outside the classroom
- Holiday programs – Kids Go Wild holiday workshops in Queens Park
- Education in Queens Park – Environmental Education Centre and Ipswich Nature Centre open to the public

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