

OPEN YOUR EYES TO **Litter**



Can you find these kids hidden in 14 different places in this book?

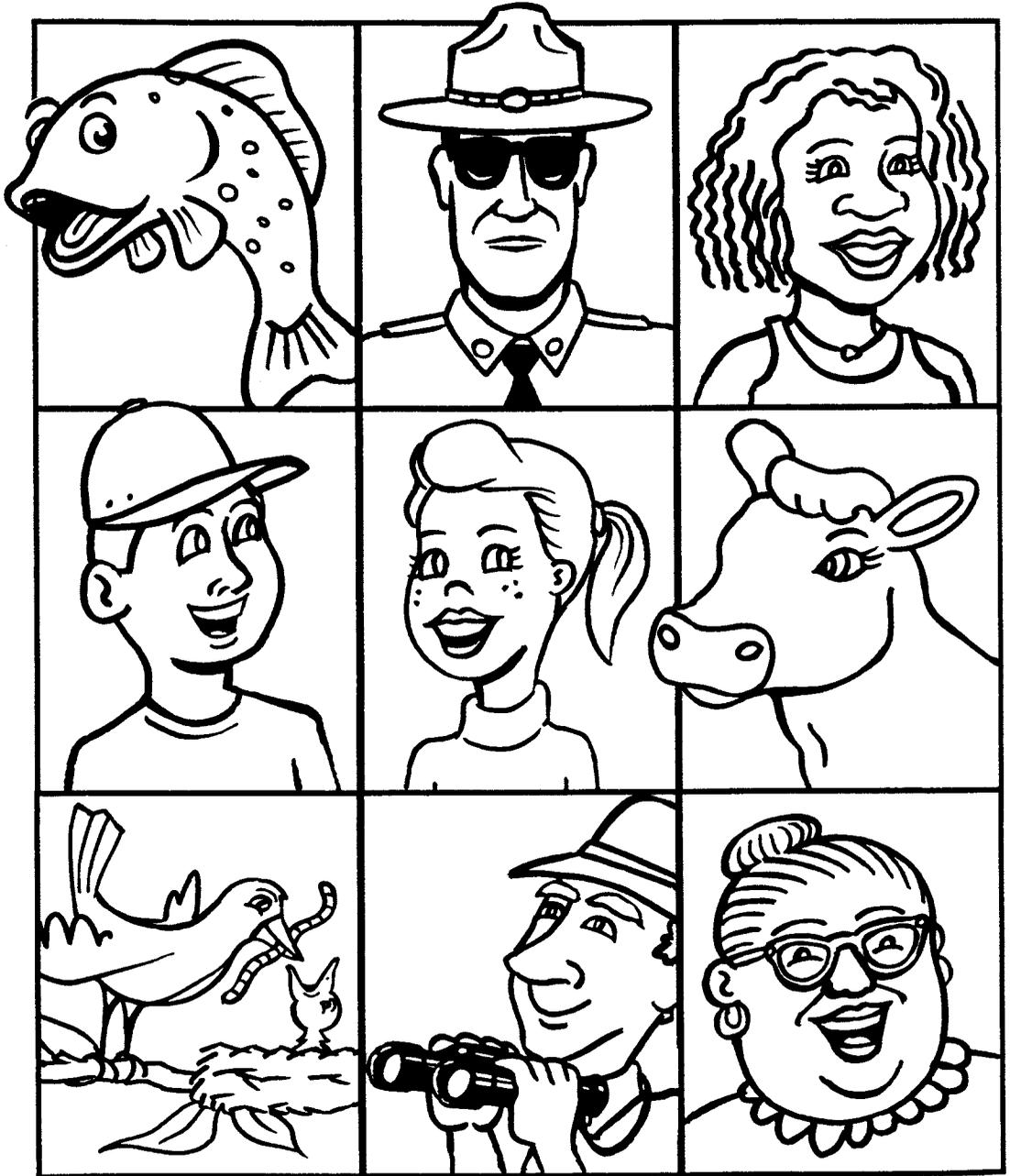
A Fun Coloring and Activity Book for Kids!

What is Litter?



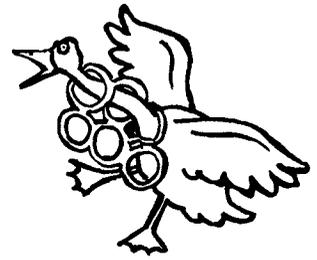
Litter is what doesn't naturally belong in an environment.

Who Does Litter Affect?





Word Search



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Animals
Bottles
Cans
Caring
City
Community
Environment

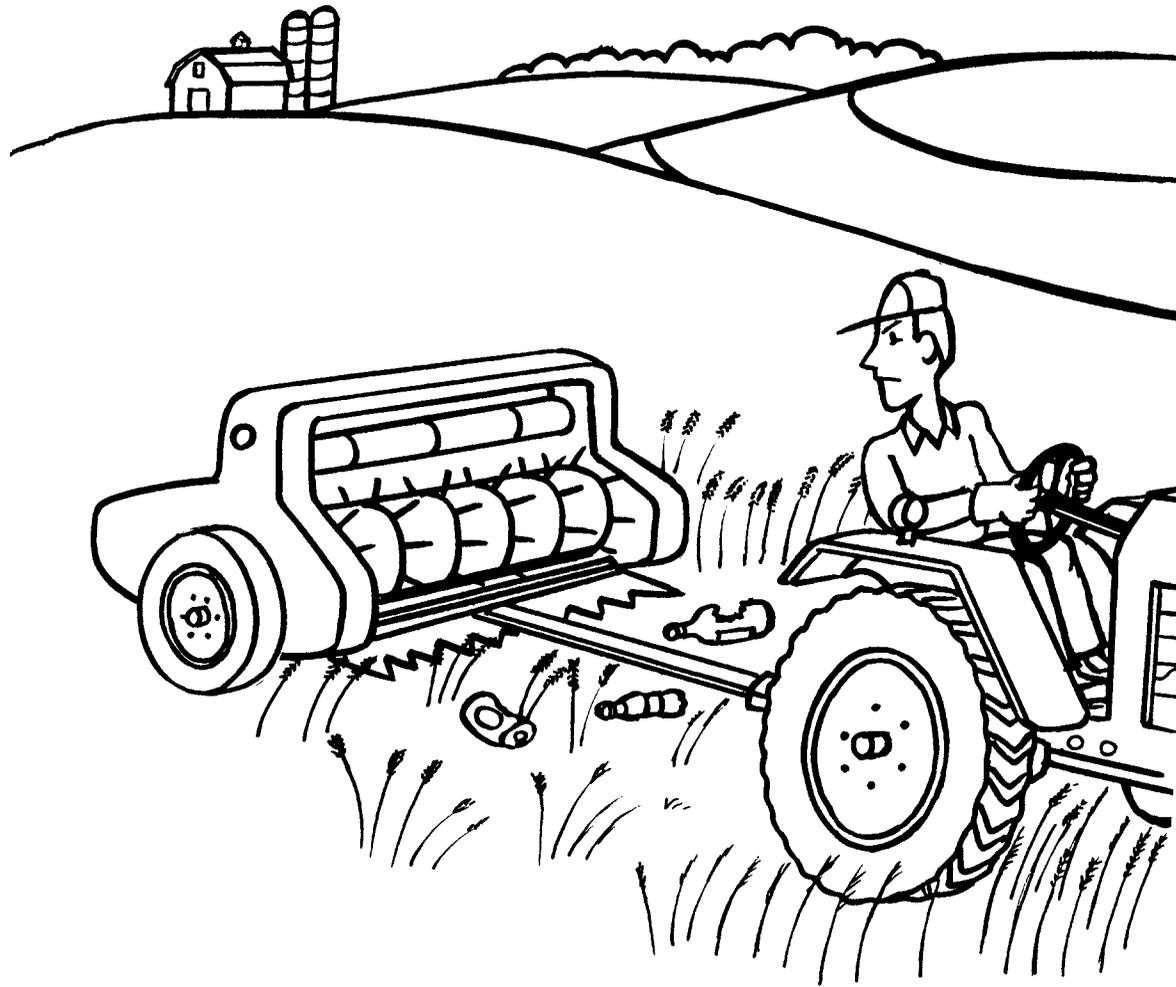
Family
Farms
Friends
Litter
Nature
Neighborhoods
Papers

Pollution
Responsibility
Streets
Trash
Roads
Waterways
You

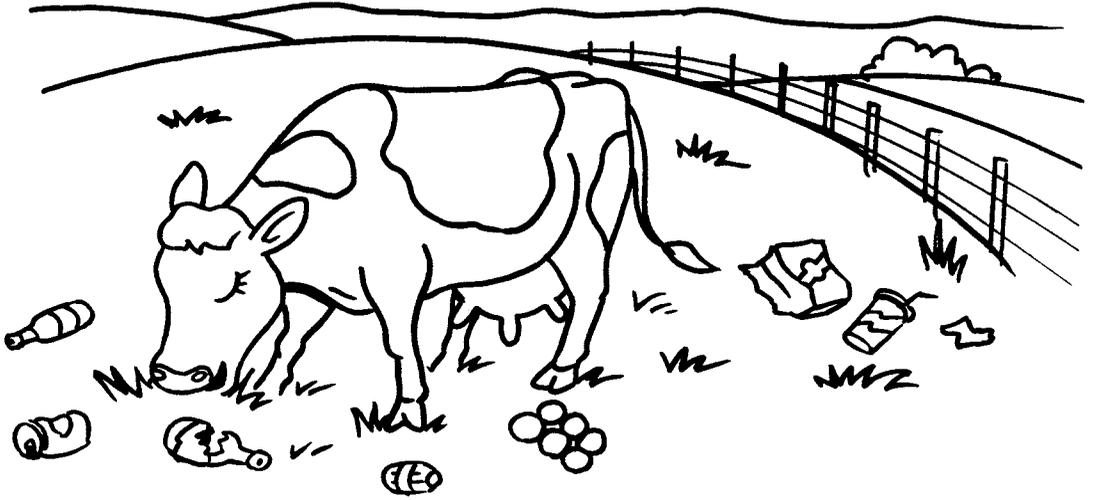


We should all care for the environment.





**Litter causes trouble for farmers
when it is thrown into their fields.**



Animals get sick from eating litter and expensive farm machinery can break down.

Make A Word Poem

Use each letter of the word "litter" below to create a sentence about the word. (See sample "farmer".)

Farmers are our friends.

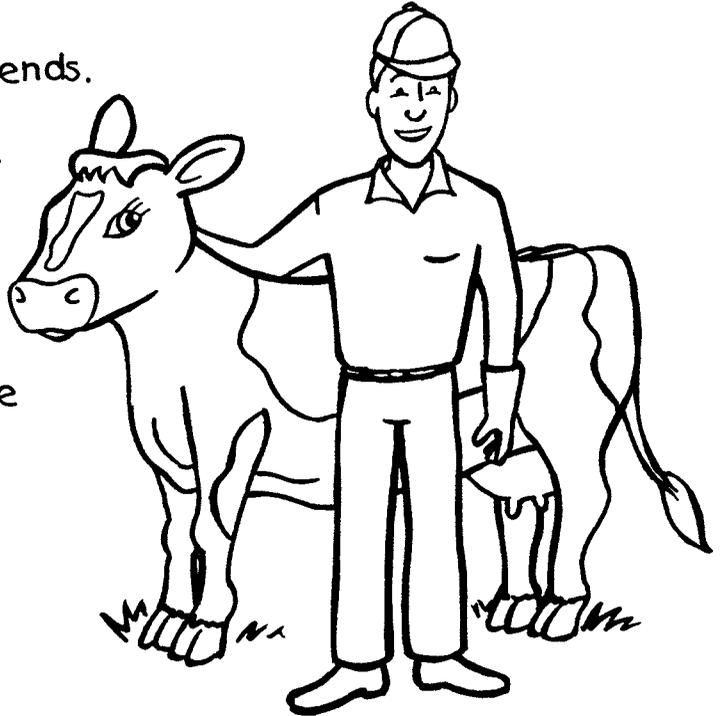
Animals and plants
are their

Responsibility.

Making a litter-free

Environment is our

Responsibility.



L_____

I_____

T_____

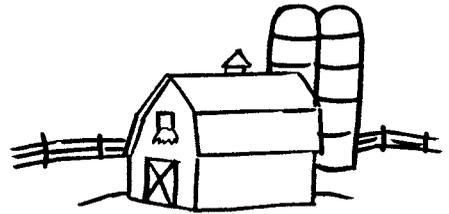
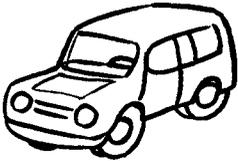
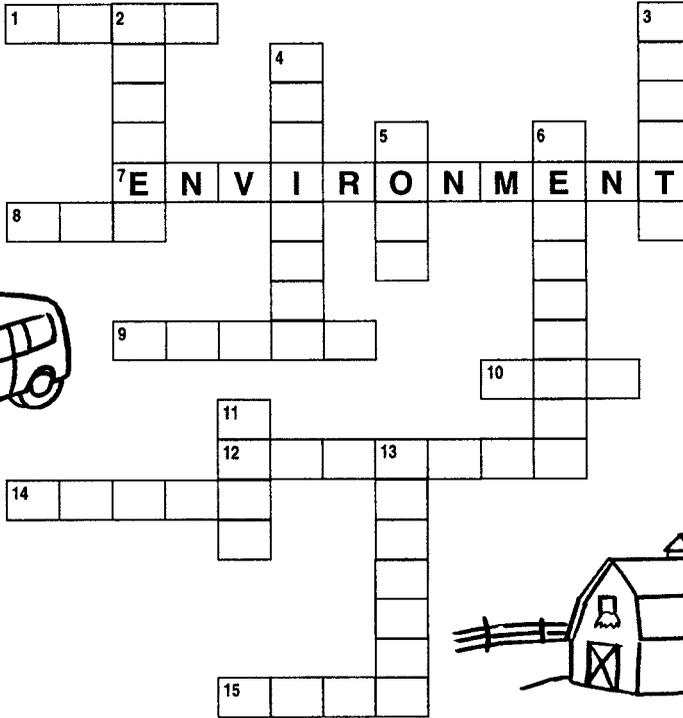
T_____

E_____

R_____



Crossword Fun



ACROSS

1. You should _____ to protect the earth.
7. Things around you.
8. What people drive.
9. What planet we live on.
10. Who can help?
12. What are dogs, lions, tigers, elephants and bears?
14. Trash in streams pollutes the _____.
15. People who litter on purpose don't _____.

DOWN

2. Forgotten drink can.
3. Grows in gardens.
4. A mistake. (ex. But mom, it was an _____.)
5. What people drive on.
6. The people next door.
11. Where Old McDonald lives.
13. What a lawn mower is.



Answers
 Across: Help - Environment - Car - Earth - You - Animals - Water - Care
 Down: Litter - Plants - Accident - Road - Neighbors - Farm - Machine

How long will litter last?

This groundhog found a bunch of litter when he dug his tunnel. Help him find his warm bed.



Wool Sock
1 - 5 years

Cigarette Butts
1 - 5 years

Banana & Orange Peels
up to 2 years



Plastic Coated Paper - 5 years

Plastic Bags
10 - 20 years

Plastic Film Containers
20 - 30 years

Leather
30 - 40 years

Nylon Fabric
30 - 40 years

Aluminum Cans
500 years

Tin Cans
50 years

Plastic Six Pack Holders
100 years

Glass Bottles
1,000 years

HOME SWEET HOME

Plastic Bottles & Styrofoam - Indefinitely

See For Yourself

Find out which items are biodegradable and which are not by doing this simple test.

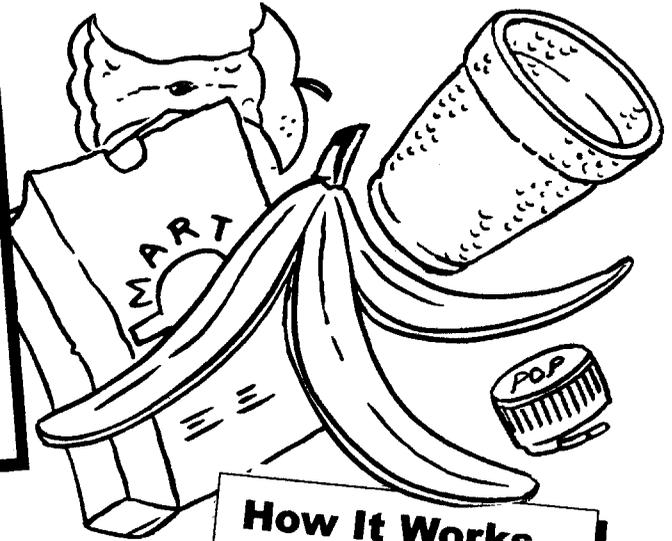
What You Need

Plastic containers

Soil

Water

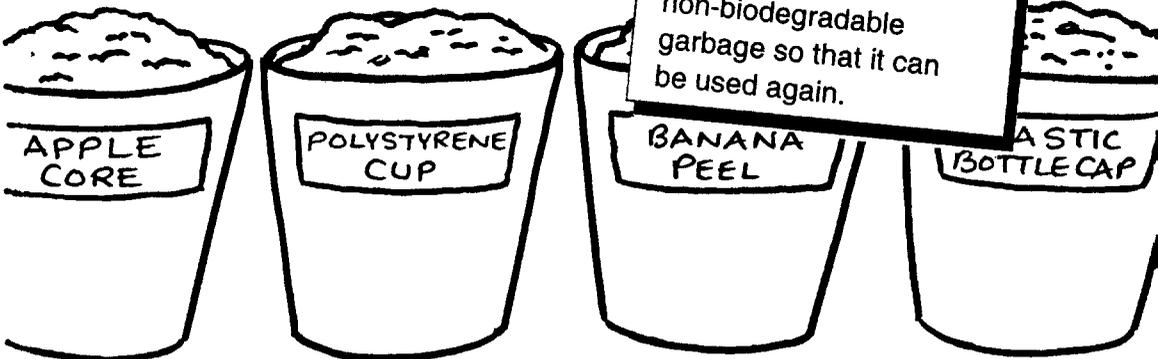
Pieces of common litter such as: a paper bag, apple core, plastic bottle cap, polystyrene cup, banana peel



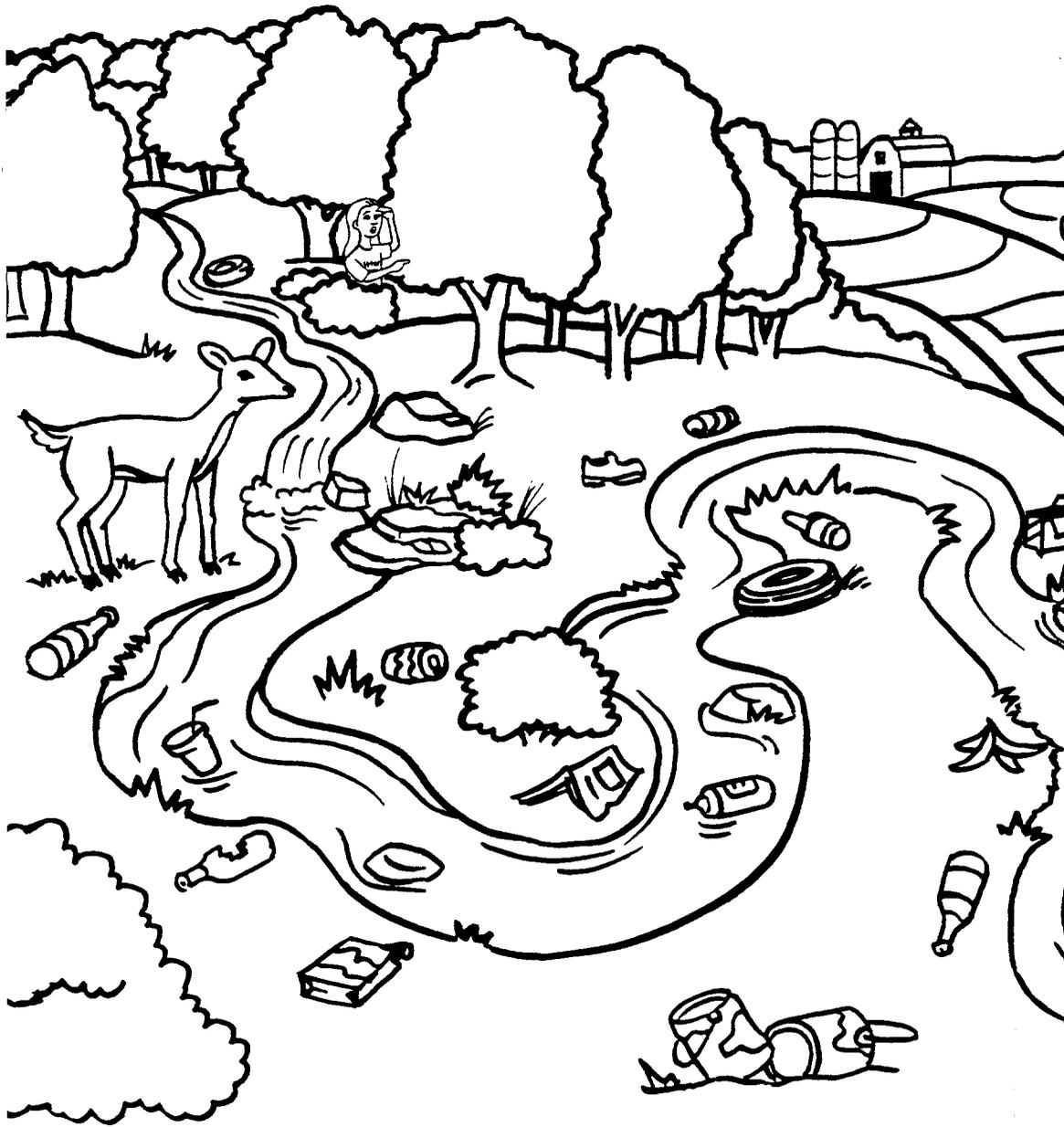
1. Fill the containers with soil and dampen with water.
2. Bury each piece of common litter in its own container and identify it with a label.
3. Leave the containers in a cool, damp place for 2 to 4 weeks.
4. Dig up the pieces of litter and see if they have rotted or changed at all.

How It Works

The natural garbage will start to decompose or may rot away altogether because it is biodegradable. The man-made garbage will take longer to decompose or will not change at all. Luckily, we can recycle much of our non-biodegradable garbage so that it can be used again.



Waterways also become



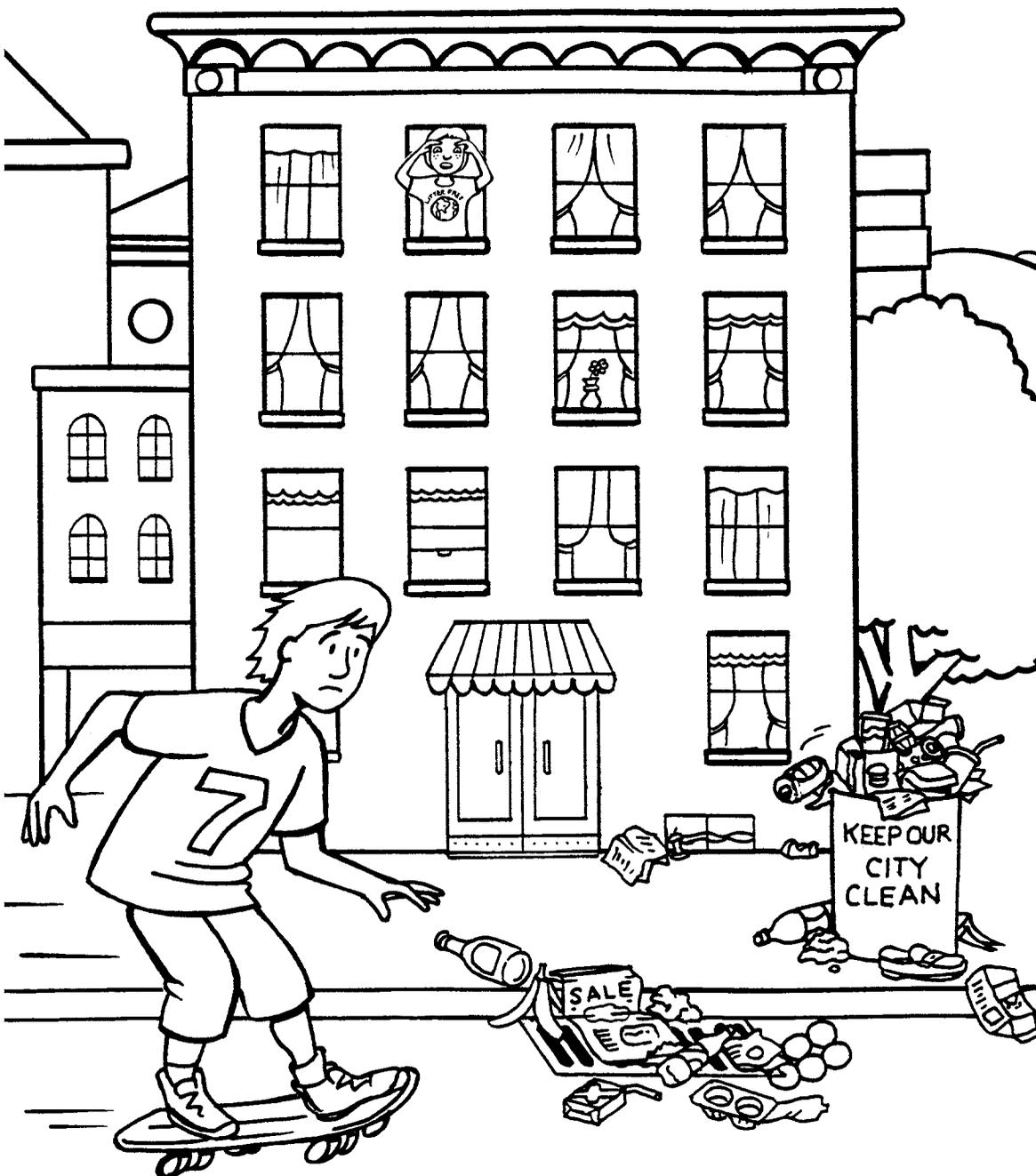
From the country...

polluted because of litter...



to the city.

The road to your house



e may also be littered...



Draw a Picture of Where You Live

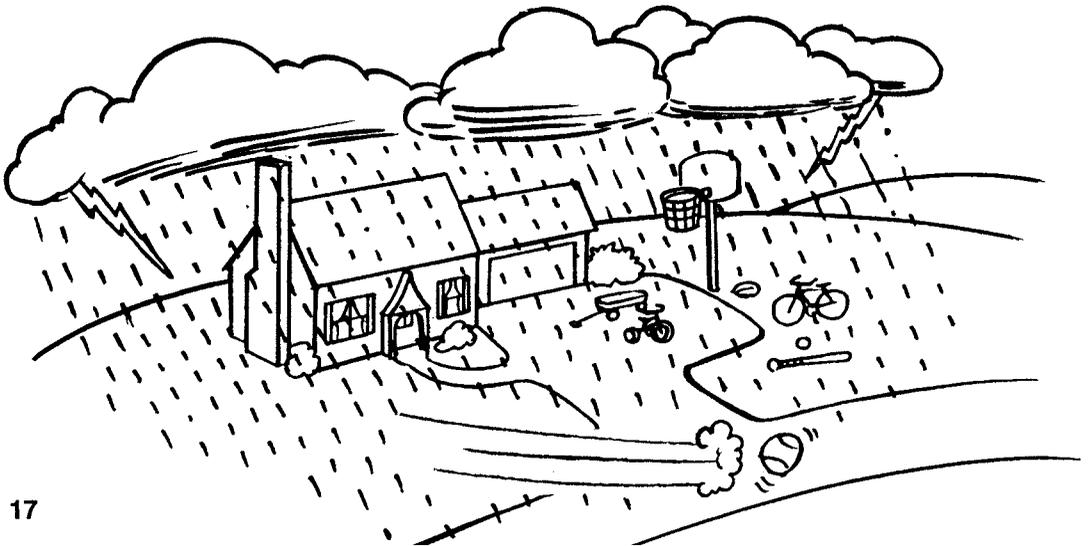
Is there litter near your home?



Put Trash In Its Place

Circle the items that can be repaired, reused or recycled. Draw lines from the trash to the trash can.

Sometimes Litter



Happens By Accident...



Some people litter on purpose...



Some people even dump
large amounts of trash.



In this Mountain of Trash...



Can You find?

2 rolled carpets

child's plastic
swimming pool

coat hanger

4 concrete blocks

couch

dryer

filing cabinet

bed headboard

lawn chair

lawnmower

mantle clock

4 mattresses

office swivel chair

plunger

recliner

refrigerator

3 six pack rings

stove

telephone

3 television sets

19 tires

toilet

tricycle

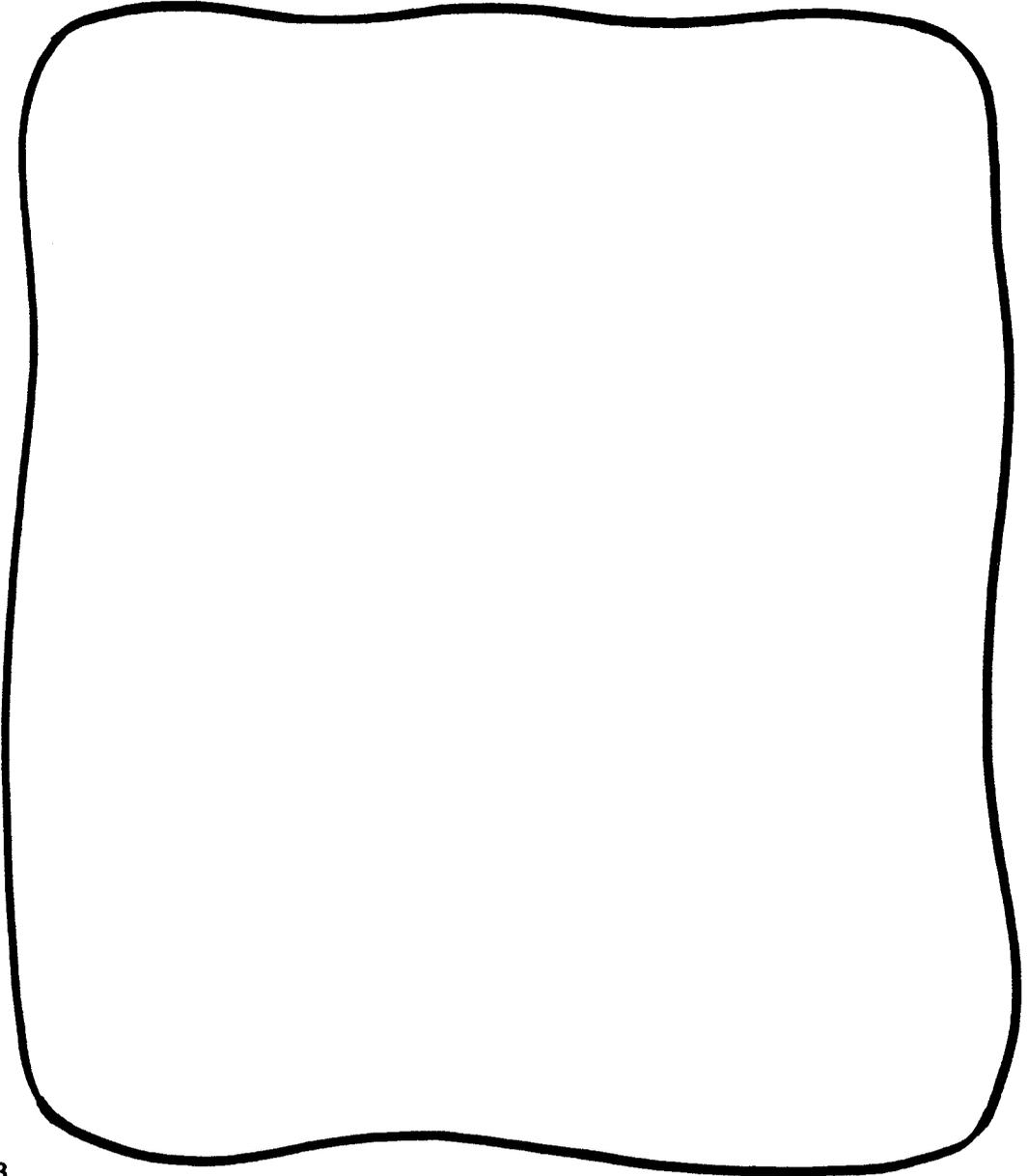
umbrella

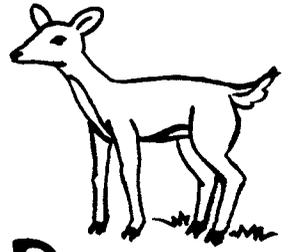
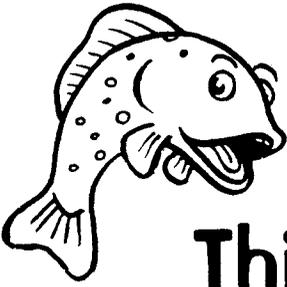
upholstered chair



**Litter, litter everywhere.
You're the one who has to care!**

**Draw a picture of yourself
and litter that you have seen.**





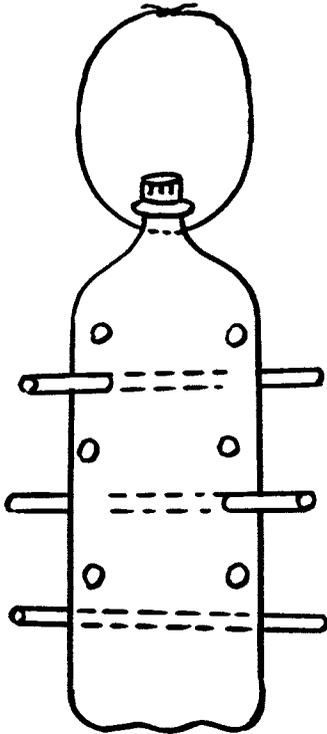
Things You Can Do To Show You Care

- Be careful not to drop or lose things.
- Don't leave things lying in your yard.
- Share with your family and friends what you have learned about litter.
- Ask your teacher to teach about litter and the environment.

- _____

- _____

Make a Birdfeeder From a Plastic Bottle



Here's What To Do:

1. Wash the bottle and remove the label.
2. To make a perch, use a nail to punch 2 holes in the bottle, opposite each other. Insert a dowel or pencil so that it passes through one hole, through the bottle, and out the other side. Make 3 or 4 such perches alternating the positions so that all sides of the bottle are used.
3. Now you're ready to poke the feeding holes. With the bottle's neck facing away from you, use a nail to poke a small hole about 2" above each perch. Keep in mind that the seeds will fall out if the holes are too big.
4. Use the nail to poke a hole from one side of the bottle's neck to the other.
5. Thread the string or wire through the holes in the bottle's neck and tie or twist them together at the ends. This will be your hanger.
6. Remove the cap and fill the feeder with sunflower seeds or mixed seed. Screw cover back on and hang feeder from a branch or hook.

What You Need

One large plastic drink bottle with cap

3 or 4 wooden dowels (or pencils) each $\frac{3}{16}$ " wide and about 8" long

nail or other sharp object for punching holes in the bottle

string or wire - 16 - 18" long



Kids' Litter Survey

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name of School _____ Grade _____

Does seeing litter make you mad? Yes No

Have you ever seen anyone litter? Yes No

Have you ever littered by accident? Yes No

How? _____

Have you ever littered on purpose? Yes No

Why? _____

Is there litter near your home? Yes No

Is there litter near your school? Yes No

Have you learned about litter
in your school? Yes No

Who taught you not to litter? _____

What did you learn from this book? _____



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