

Can you see the possibilities in everyday objects? Test your resourcefulness in this eye opening activity.

We live in a world of consumerism; we buy something, use it, and then dispose of it. We need to REDUCE our consumption, by REUSING what we already have. That way we will reduce our demand on the planet's resources and move towards a sustainable future.

Did you know that horse chestnut and birch tree leaves can be made into soap, juice cartons can be recycled into place mats, and dandelion flowers can be made into honey!

Activity:

1. Gather as many materials as you can in an allotted time. These can be natural or man made, (don't pick anything that's alive or sharp).
2. What would be useful or helpful around your home or bedroom? Brainstorm as many uses for your gathered objects that you can think of.
3. Once you have discovered what you can make- have a go at making it!

Ideas: storage for toys or art, decorations, plant holders, bird feeder

You can follow this up by researching what products or uses have been developed from your objects.

Notes:

For further inspiration see

<http://beautyharmonylife.com/25-diy-ideas-to-recycle-your-potential-garbage/>

Referenced from Dirty Teaching, A Beginners Guide to Learning Outdoors

Environmental Awareness

*Appreciate and draw inspiration from the environment.
Demonstrate care for the environment through their actions*

Time:

20 min plus

Space:

Any Outdoor Space

Equipment:

Recycling / Natural Materials

