

Title: MAKE A LITTERBAG
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Grade Level: K-2

Concepts:
2. Ecosystem
8. Values and Attitudes
11. Individual Acts

Disciplines:
1. Social Studies
2. Science
3. Art

Objective:

The student will design and color his or her own individual litterbag for use in the classroom.

Rationale:

The majority of the litter and garbage that despoils our environment is due to human carelessness. We need to develop early an attitude that this need not be the case if we pick up after ourselves.

Materials Needed:

A medium size grocery paper bag for each child, crayons or paint, yarn handle material, scotch tape.

Directions/Activity:

Have your students make litterbags to tape to their desks or to the back of their chairs. Have the students draw a picture of an imaginary litterbug on his or her bag and decorate it with crayons, paint, materials, or foil. The students will be able to measure just how much garbage they themselves can accumulate in one day or one week. It will provide them an opportunity to keep their classroom neat and be proud of their efforts.

Extended Activities:

The students can also make litterbags for their parents' cars. Have them attach a yarn handle.

Teacher Reference:

Adapted from Beginnings: Curriculum Highlights, J. B. Lippincott Co.

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The Little Knight, Syd Hoff, McGraw Hill Book Co., 1976.

