

EARTH DAY

READING COMPREHENSION!

Name: _____ **Earth Day L1**

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1) When do we celebrate Earth Day?

☐ In April ☐ In December

☐ In June ☐ In October

2) What do people learn about on Earth Day?

☐ how to take care of the Earth ☐ how to play new games

☐ how to bake cookies ☐ how to build houses

3) What is one activity kids might do on Earth Day?

☐ pick up trash ☐ watch movies

☐ play video games ☐ go shopping



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1) Where is Earth Day celebrated?

- ☐ all around the world ☐ in one small town
☐ only in schools ☐ only in America

2) What is one thing communities might do on Earth Day?

- ☐ plant trees ☐ build tall buildings
☐ watch television ☐ stay inside all day

3) How can kids help on Earth Day?

- ☐ clean up parks ☐ make more trash
☐ waste water ☐ ignore nature

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1) What do animals need to live?

- ☐ cars and roads ☐ big buildings
☐ clean water and safe homes ☐ toys and board games

2) What can hurt animals?

- ☐ pollution ☐ clean water
☐ trees ☐ recycling

3) How can we help animals?

- ☐ clean up litter ☐ make more pollution
☐ waste water ☐ cut down trees

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- ☐ throwing food in the trash ☐ using food scraps to help the Earth
☐ burning trash ☐ wasting food

2) What can be composted?

- ☐ fruit peels ☐ plastic bottles
☐ glass jars ☐ metal cans

3) How does compost help plants?

- ☐ it makes healthy soil ☐ it blocks sunlight
☐ it causes pollution ☐ it dries the soil

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Pollution



Pollution makes the Earth dirty and unsafe. Trash, smoke, and dirty water cause pollution. Pollution can harm plants and animals. It can also make people sick. Picking up trash helps reduce pollution. Keeping our Earth clean helps everyone.

1) What causes pollution?

- ☐ trash, smoke, and dirty water ☐ tall trees and green plants
☐ fresh air ☐ clean water

2) Who can pollution harm?

- ☐ only animals ☐ only people
☐ only plants ☐ plants, animals, and people

3) How can we help reduce pollution?

- ☐ pick up trash ☐ make more trash
☐ burn waste ☐ waste water

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1) What items can be recycled?

- ☐ paper, plastic, and metal ☐ Styrofoam containers
☐ used baby diapers ☐ hazardous waste

2) What happens to recycled items?

- ☐ they are thrown in rivers ☐ they are turned into new things
☐ they are decorated ☐ they are eaten

3) How does recycling help the Earth?

- ☐ it reduces trash ☐ it creates pollution
☐ it wastes energy ☐ it hurts animals

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Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

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Saving Energy

Energy helps power lights, TVs, and machines. We use energy at home and at school. Saving energy helps the Earth. Turning off lights when not in use saves energy. Using less energy also helps keep the air clean. Everyone can help save energy.

1) What does energy help power?

2) How can people save energy?

3) Why is saving energy important?

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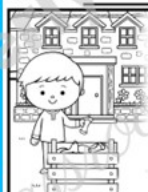
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- ☐ only people ☐ only animals
☐ only plants ☒ people, animals, and plants

2) Why should we save water?

- ☒ it helps the Earth ☐ it makes more trash
☐ it wastes energy ☐ it causes pollution

3) How can we save water?

- ☒ turn off the faucet ☐ leave water running
☐ spill water ☐ use more water

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Answer keys included for quick and easy assessment!

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DIFFERENTIATED READING COMPREHENSION READING COMP BUNDLE!

Name: Tytane **Native American Heritage LI**

Sioux

The Sioux lived in the northern Great Plains. They moved around from place to place following the buffalo. They lived in teepees that could be taken down and set up quickly. They got most of their food from hunting bison, deer, and elk.

1) Where did the Sioux live?

☐ Southeast America ☒ Northern Great Plains

☐ Mexico ☐ Southwest America

2) Which animal did they follow?

☐ giraffe ☐ bird

☐ rat ☒ buffalo

3) Which animals did they hunt?

☐ bison ☐ deer

☐ elk ☒ all of these

Name: Samira **Women's History LS**

Maya Lin

Maya won a design contest of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Her design was a black granite wall with the names of fallen soldiers. She was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2016 by President Barack Obama.

1) What contest did Maya win?

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2) Who gave her an award?

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3) What was her design?

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