

Reduce Reuse Recycle

Quizlet



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VOCABULARY

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| | Basic Words | Notes | | Intermediate Words | Notes |
|----|------------------|-------|----|--------------------|-------|
| 1 | reuse | | 14 | resource | |
| 2 | recycle | | 15 | recovery | |
| 3 | reduce | | 16 | refund | |
| 4 | repurpose | | 17 | sanitation | |
| 5 | refuse | | 18 | refuse (ゴミ) | |
| 6 | refurbish | | 19 | collection point | |
| 7 | repair | | 20 | breakdown | |
| 8 | rethink | | 21 | microplastics | |
| 9 | rot | | 22 | incinerate | |
| 10 | dispose | | | Advanced Words | Notes |
| 11 | compost | | 23 | fast fashion | |
| 12 | landfill | | 24 | single use plastic | |
| 13 | (city/town) dump | | 25 | fly-tipping | |

3Rs, 5Rs, 7Rs!, 9Rs!!

October is 3Rs Promotional Month in Japan. Some countries promote 5Rs, or 7Rs or even 9Rs! Match the following 5Rs to the example sentences.

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| reuse • | • PET bottles being made out of thinner plastic. |
| reduce • | • Glass bottle return for refill beside certain vending machines. |
| recycle • | • Not taking a plastic bag when only buying a few items. |
| repurpose • | • Cardboard collection points around the city. |
| refuse • | • Old tires hanging off boats to protect them from the pier. |

Do any of the Rs have similar meanings?

Doing Our Part

Rank the 3Rs from easiest (#1) to most difficult (#3) to do.

- #1 _____
 #2 _____
 #3 _____

Which of the 3Rs do you think is the most important? Why?

Discussion

What is an example of something that you reuse, reduce, or recycle?

What is something else you could do in the future?

HOMWORK

Kamikatsu's Story <https://youtu.be/OS9uhASKyJA>

Kamikatsu, located in Shikoku, is a small town of 1500 people. In the year 2000 there was a change to the law and they had to shut down their two trash incinerators. It was going to be too expensive to build a new incinerator or to send their junk to be disposed of at an out of town facility. The only option they had was to create less rubbish and do their best to recycle the rubbish they did make.

They set a goal of becoming a zero waste town. Residents now take their trash to a special sorting facility in the town and individually sort it into 45 different categories. It isn't easy and they sometimes have to remind residents to take the odd label of a PET bottle or to remove nails from pieces of wood. They also are careful about what they buy, avoiding products or items that have parts that can't be recycled.

Kamikatsu isn't completely zero waste yet however in 2016 they recycled 81% of their garbage while most of Japan only recycles about 20% of it's trash.

1: Why did Kamikatsu shut down their old incinerators? _____

2: What are all the different words for ゴミ that you can find above? _____

4: How many categories do they sort their trash into? _____

5: How many categories do you sort your trash into? _____

6: Do you think a recycling system like the one in Kamikatsu could work in your city? Why or why not? _____



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 1. IN WHAT YEAR DID JAPAN START CHARGING A FEE FOR PLASTIC BAGS AT SHOPS?
 A: 2018 B: 2019 C: 2020 D: 2021

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 2. WHICH COUNTRY RECYCLES THE MOST?
 A: NORWAY B: JAPAN C: KOREA D: GERMANY

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 3. HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE A PLASTIC BOTTLE TO BREAK DOWN?
 A: 100 YEARS B: 150 YEARS C: 300 YEARS D: 450 YEARS

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 4. HOW MANY YEARS WORTH OF EARTH'S RESOURCES DO WE USE A YEAR? (1 YEAR = 100%)
 A: 125% B: 150% C: 175% D: 200%

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 5. HOW MANY PAIRS OF DISPOSABLE CHOPSTICKS (WARIBASHI) DOES JAPAN USE A YEAR?
 A: 1 BILLION B: 10 BILLION C: 15 BILLION D: 20 BILLION

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