

Re-use

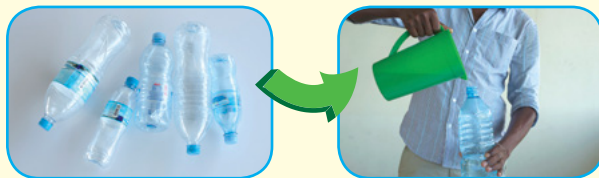
Reuse means to use the same item more than once, preferably many times, rather than throwing it out after one use.

Changing the way you dispose of your waste, no matter how small or insignificant those actions may seem, can make a big difference.

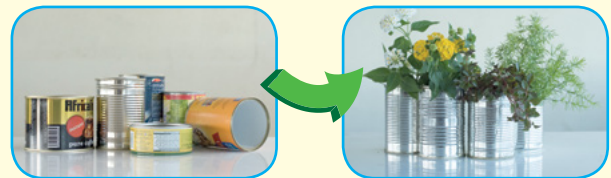
Did you know?

- The city produces around 4,300 tons of waste per day. If one elephant = 6 tons, People in Dar es Salaam throw away the equivalent of over 700 elephants per day of trash!!!
- But only 40% of Waste goes to a dump site, where does the other 60% go? Forests, Rivers and the Ocean.
- Rains wash the trash into drains which then flow into the ocean. The trash blocks our drains and causes flooding and increases the outbreak of many diseases including mosquito borne (Malaria, Dengue Fever), typhoid and cholera.
- Burning trash releases toxic chemicals into the air like cyanide, mercury and arsenic which are all dangerous to our health.

There are many ways you can reuse items. Here are some examples:



Refill plastic bottles instead of buying new ones



Reuse tin cans to plant flowers, to make a container for kitchen utensils or pens/pencils



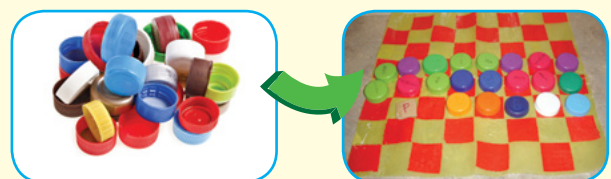
Reuse paper by using both sides either in the printer or for notepaper.



Reuse car tyres for gardening or fencing your area



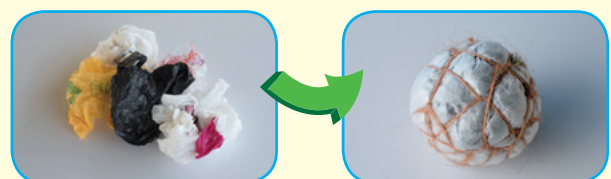
Reuse glass jars to store sugar, milk powder, coffee/tea bags, etc.



Make a draughts or checkers game from old bottle caps



Reuse plastic containers (eg blue band containers or Azam ice cream containers) to store leftovers.



Make a football out of plastic bags

- Before throwing out old shoes, clothes, etc. consider repairing them or passing them on to others
- Educate your kids about reusing by using bottle caps, cardboard boxes, toilet rolls, egg boxes, old newspapers/magazines, etc. to make crafts/toys