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Our CAPES Corner activity for this edition is focused on recycling. Recycling is when you take items that might be thrown away as trash and reuse them in some new way or turn them into something entirely new. For example, plastic bottles can be melted down and turned into fabric for clothing.

Did you know recycling helps reduce air pollution? Recycling reduces the amount of trash sent to landfills, conserves valuable natural resources, and saves energy. Some examples of things you can recycle include aluminum and steel cans, cardboard, electronic equipment, glass, magazines, metal, newspaper, paper, plastic bags, plastic bottles, and paper. Food waste and plant materials like leaves and grass clippings from your yard can't be recycled but can be composted. We'll save composting for our next activity! Have fun recycling every day at school and at home!

Directions: Write the name of the item that can or cannot be recycled in the boxes below. If you want to have more fun, you can cut out the items and paste them in the correct boxes below.



Apple



Juice Bottle



Water Bottle



Newspaper



Paper



Hamburger



Potato Chips



Cardboard



Milk Bottle



Candy Wrapper



Which of the items above can be recycled?



Which of the items above cannot be recycled?

The Clean Air Program for Elementary Students (CAPES) is South Coast AQMD's environmental education program geared at educating and engaging our youth on the importance of clean air, the impact of air pollution and ways they can help improve the environment in their communities and become Clean Air Heroes. To learn more, please visit www.aqmd.gov/capes.