



IS YOUR SCHOOL WASTING AWAY?

Question 1. Does your class

- a. Always use both sides of all pieces of paper
- b. Have a tray for reusing paper used on only one side but no-one uses it
- c. Have no recycling facilities for paper

Question 2. Does your teacher

- a. Give out notes and handouts printed on only one side of the paper
- b. Print handouts on both sides of the paper
- c. Try to avoid handing out lots of notes and pieces of paper

Question 3. Does your school

- a. Send several copies of the same letter to your family .
- b. Send only one copy of each letter to each family
- c. Send emails instead of letters where possible

Question 4. Does your school shop sell

- a. Plastic packaged sandwiches
- b. Paper wrapped sandwiches
- c. Sandwiches on a plate, with another plate over them.

Question 5. Does your school have a shop or vending machine selling

- a. Plastic bottles of juice
- b. Cans of juice
- c. Both plastic bottles and cans



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Question 6. Does your school have

- a. Special bins for fruit and vegetable waste
- b. Special fruit and vegetable bins in the canteen only
- c. Only have normal bins which are used for all types of mixed rubbish

Question 7. What does school do with old computers and books?

- a. Throws them out with the rubbish or takes them to the dump
- b. Keeps them in storage cupboards around the school
- c. Donates them to charities or sells them to raise funds

Question 8. Do your school toilets have

- a. Paper towels for drying your hands
- b. An electric hot air hand dryer
- c. Cloth towels (like at home) for drying hands

Question 9. Does your school organise jumble sales

- a. Very occasionally
- b. Regularly (once or twice a year or more)
- c. Our school has never done this

Question 10. Is the *Recycling Rewards for Schools* something your school

- a. Makes a big deal about, encouraging you to collect lots of pledges
- b. Talked about it once but hasn't really been discussed since
- c. Has never mentioned to you



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IF YOUR SCHOOL SCORED...

UNDER 25 POINTS

Your school can do ENORMOUS amounts to improve its score

Have you got an environmental group? Are they sleeping?

Just think! - you could be the school that changes the most from the biggest wasters to the least in a few short steps!

Have a brainstorm! Storm around the school and find out what waste comes in where it goes and what can be done about it!

Display your findings on the wall! Send them to us!!

25-60 POINTS

Hurrah! you are on your way!

I bet you have a 'used on one side' tray in the classroom but that it is overflowing and everyone forgets to use it?!

Or that your paper reuse and recycling is good, but that the kitchen uses plastic disposable cups?

What about the packaging in the kitchen? Is it excessive? Could something be done about that? We would love to hear about the results of any investigative work you do or any projects that you come up with!

60 POINTS AND OVER

Oh wow! You are good!

How about this though... does your school always buy recycled paper? Even toilet paper?

What about other products? Pens made from recycled cardboard pencils from vending cups! Carpet tiles from recycled plastic! We would be very interested to hear about other products that you can think of that are made from recycled materials or even funkier does your school have a second hand shop? So that uniforms etc do not always have to be bought from new? Now that's a thought....!



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ADD UP YOUR POINTS TO SEE HOW YOUR SCHOOL SCORED...

Question 1 a 10
b 3
c 0

Question 2 a 0
b 5
c 10

Question 3 a 0
b 5
c 10

Question 4 a 0
b 5
c 10

Question 5 a 0
b 7
c 5

Question 6 a 10
b 5
c 0

Question 7 a 0
b 5
c 10

Question 8 a 0
b 10
c 9

Question 9 a 5
b 10
c 0

Question 10 a 10
b 1
c 0