



Make
Less
Waste

How you can help the Environment



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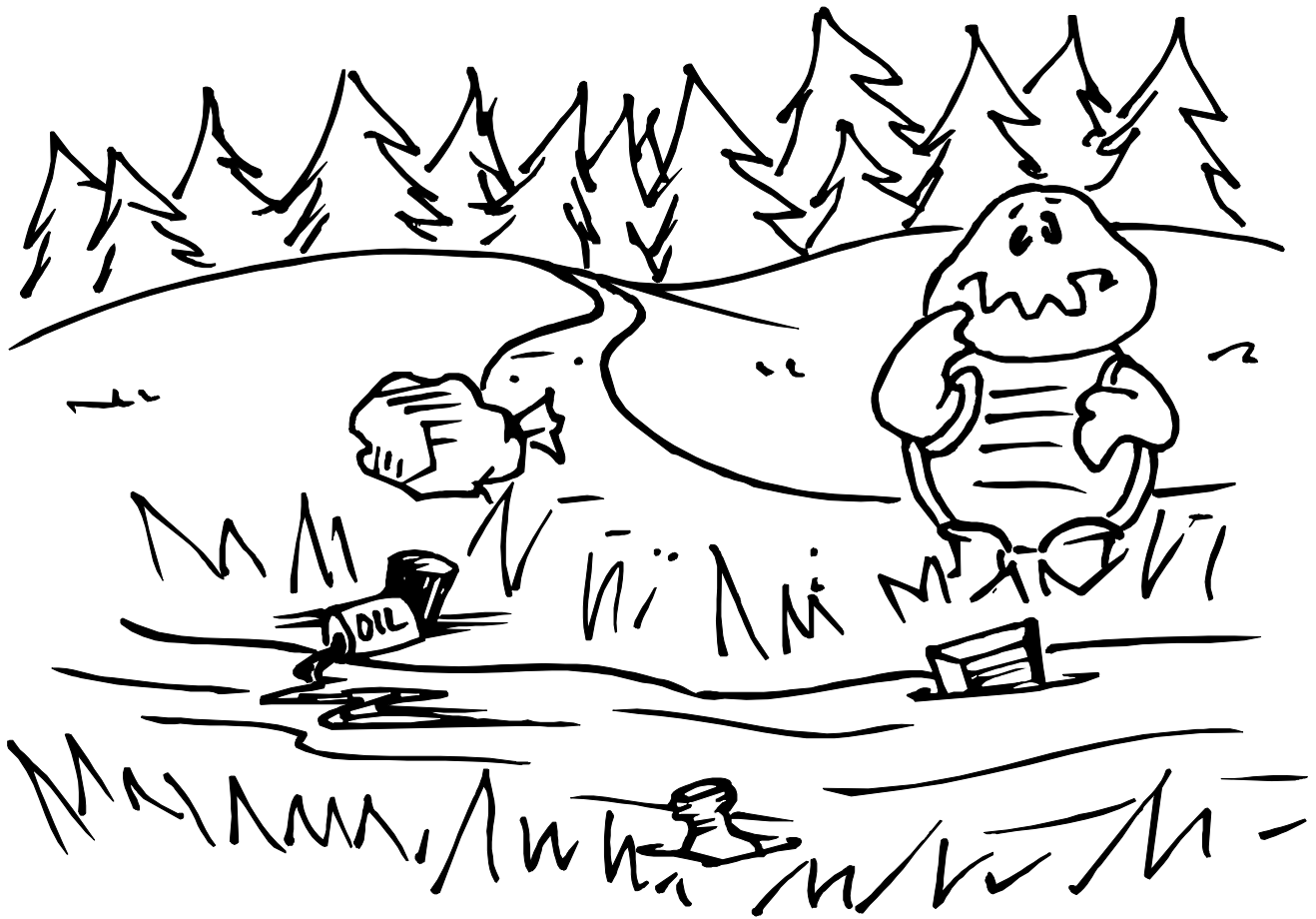
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What is Waste?

Waste is left over after something has been used. Waste can't be reused. Old batteries, spilled gas, and soap suds are waste.



When waste gets into the environment it causes pollution. Pollution can be dirty water, stinky air, or litter.

Who makes waste?

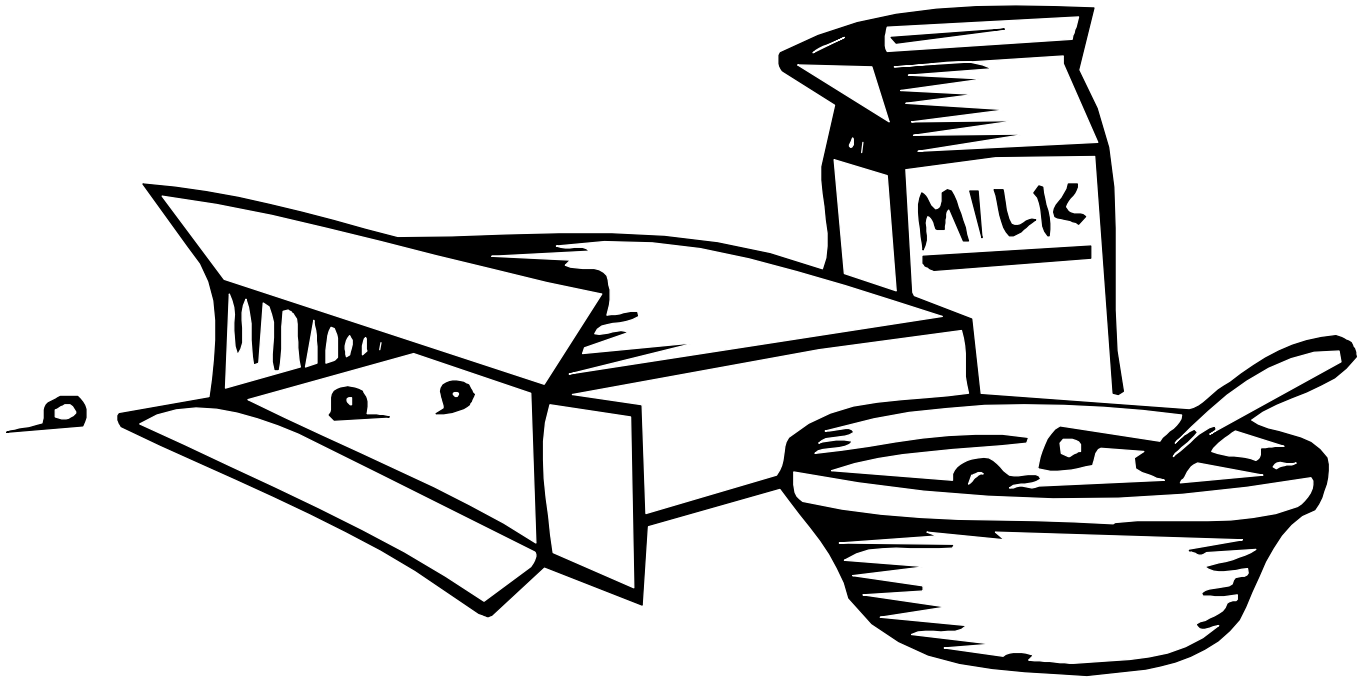
Factories make waste when they make other things. The waste is left over from making the things that they sell.



Offices make waste because the people who work there throw things away. Trash like paper and plastic are waste.

You make waste. Every day there are things left over from what you do.

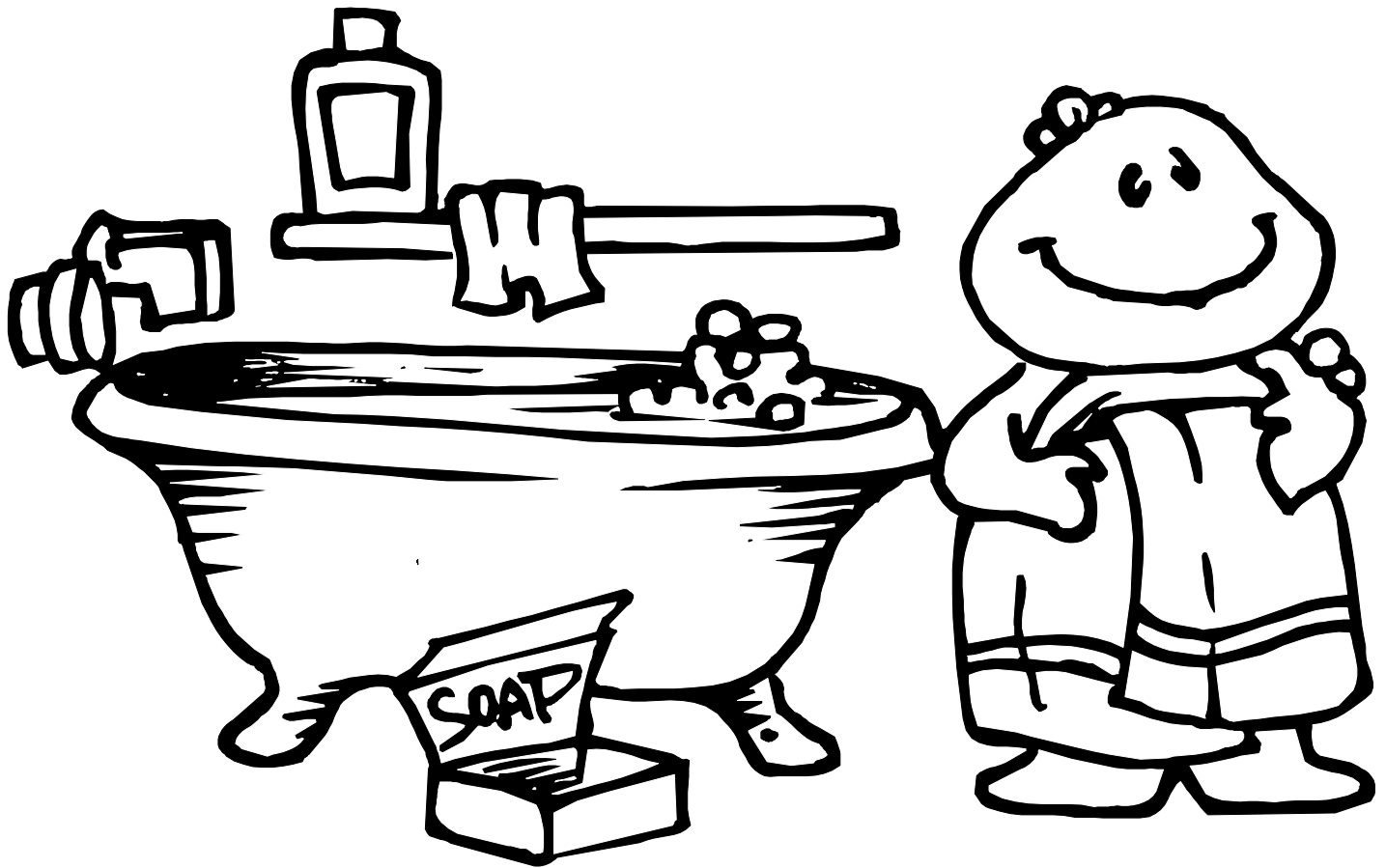
What was left over from breakfast?



What was left over from school?



What was left over from your bath?



This waste can get into the environment and cause pollution.

Find the things that can become waste.

Y M F I S W O J C O
T Q W R A P P E R J
I O O T K L E E F A
C B E O A R P T J V
I R S S P A D Q U G
R L T X P G A O Z N
T I H F I O E R O P
C U I D X Y O W V F
E O O G J U T C U I
L F N W B O X Y K L
E G O C T E K F T C
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BOTTLE

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FOOD

PAPER

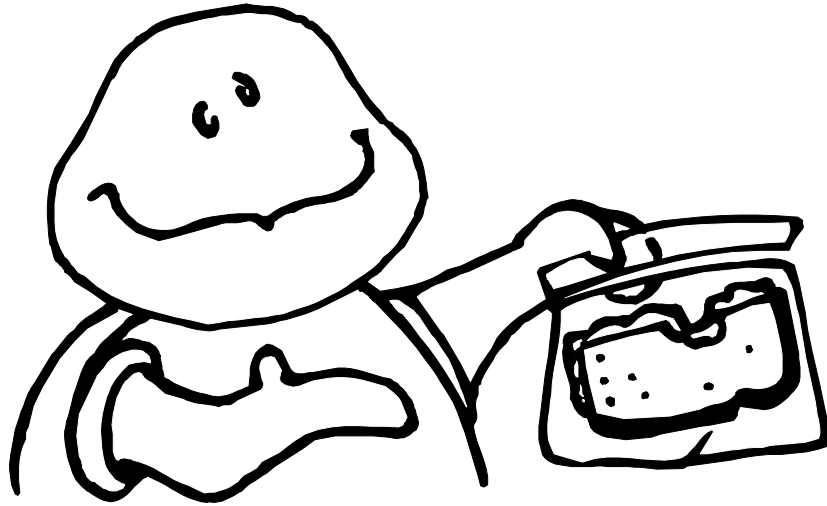
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WATER

WRAPPER

What can you do?

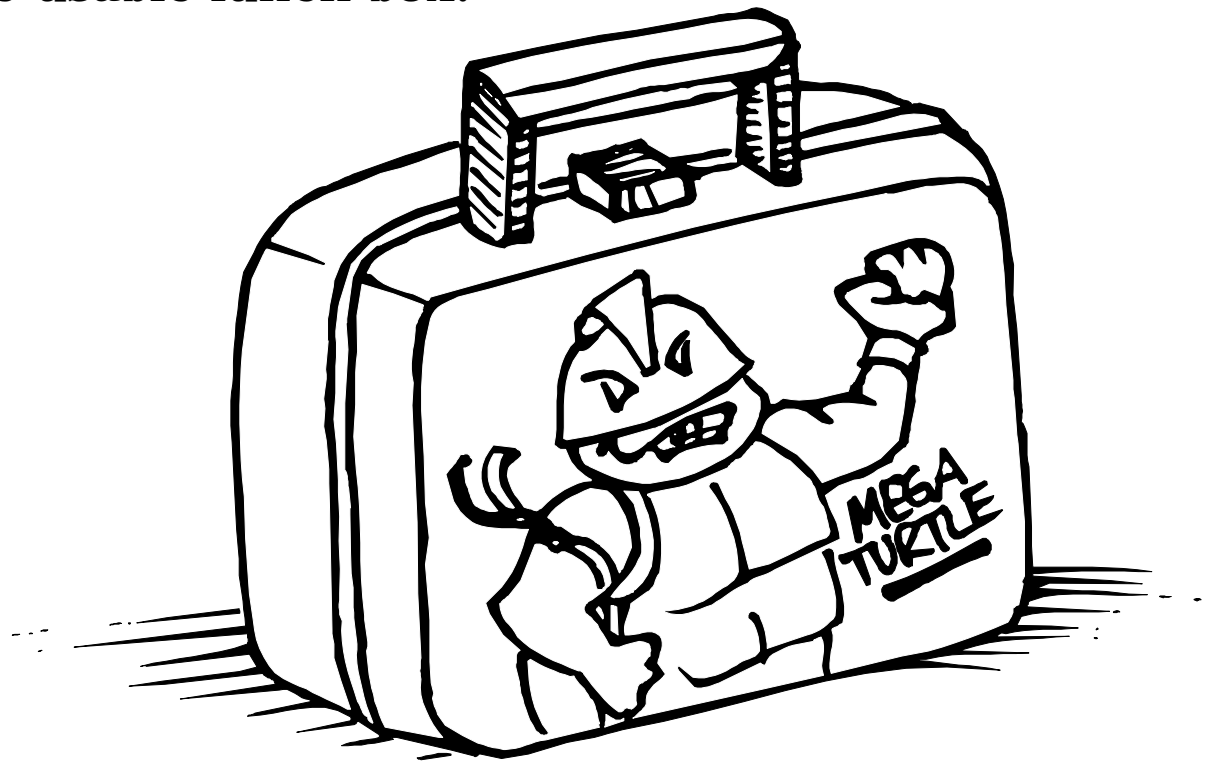
Eat all your dinner, or save what you don't eat for later. Food that is not eaten is waste.



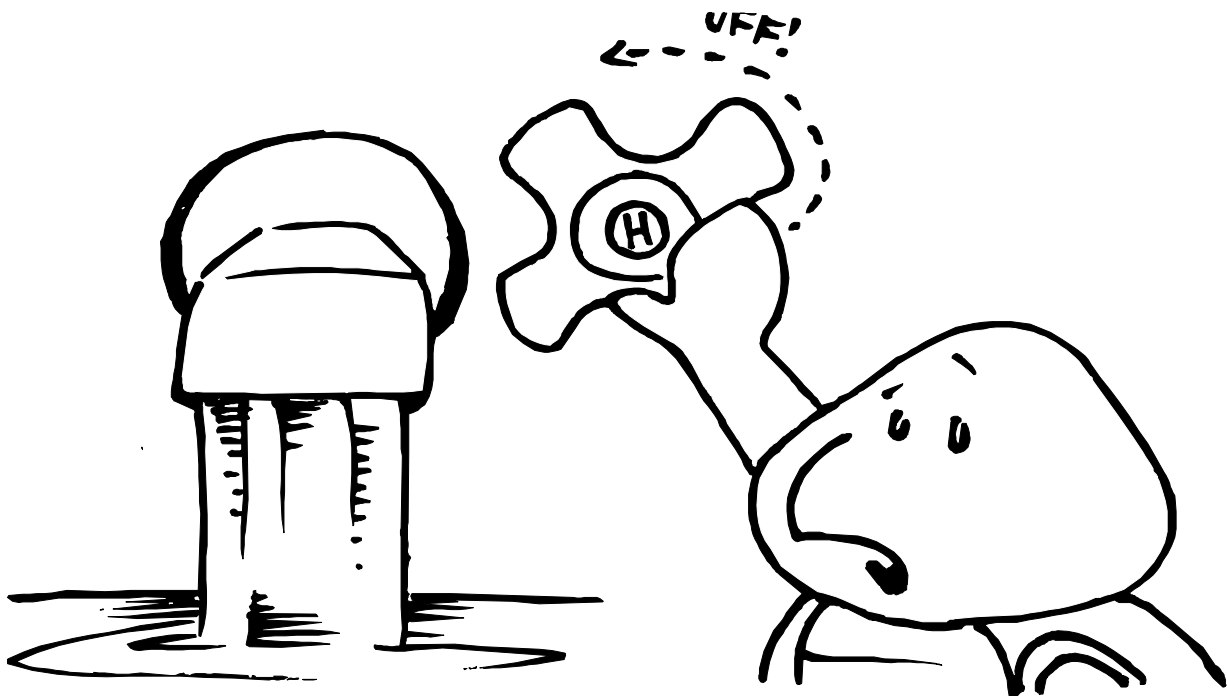
Use both sides of the paper. This means you use half as much!



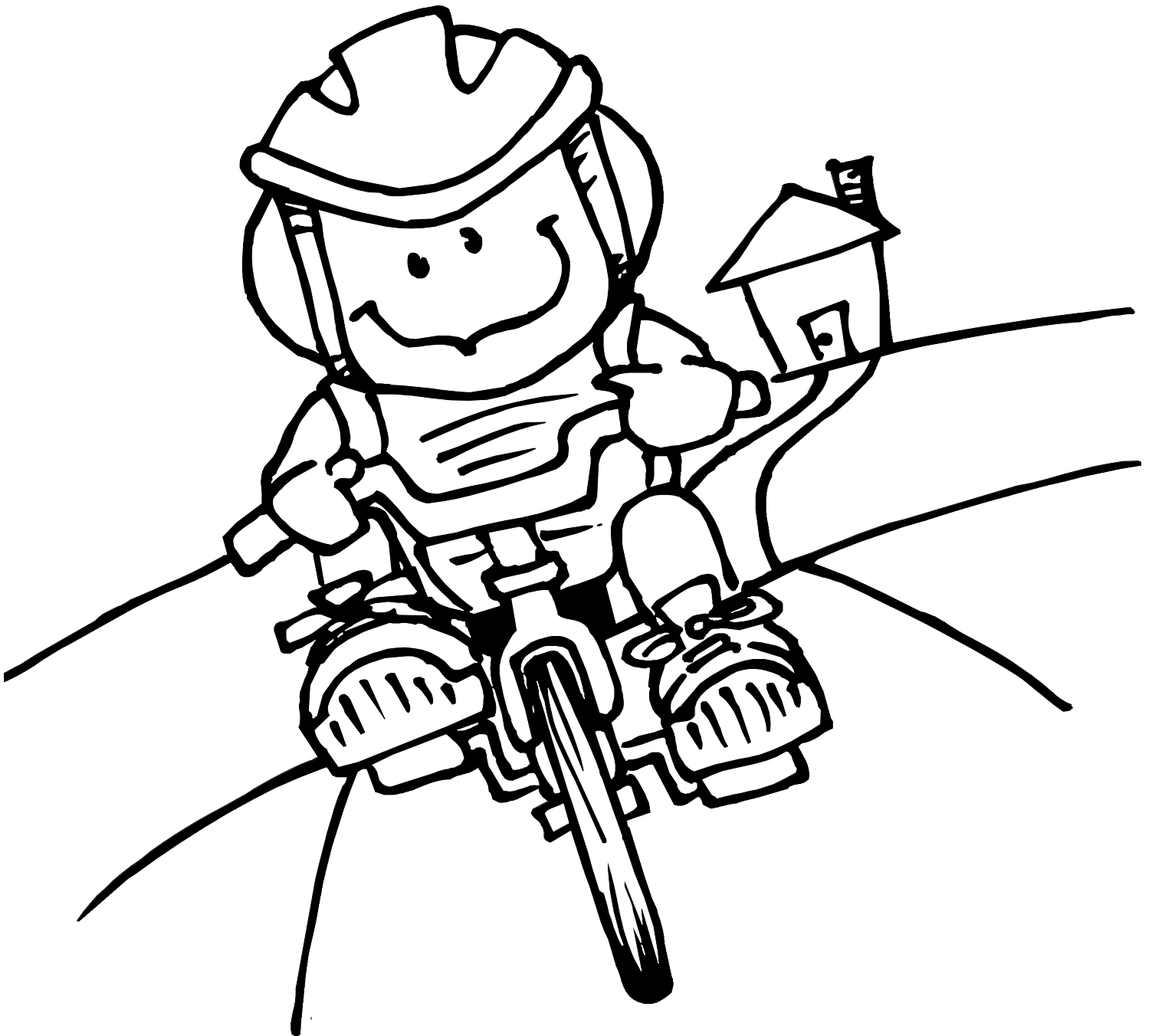
Use a re-usable lunch box.



Save water when you take a bath.



Walk or ride your bike instead of asking your parents to drive you somewhere. Make sure you get their permission first!



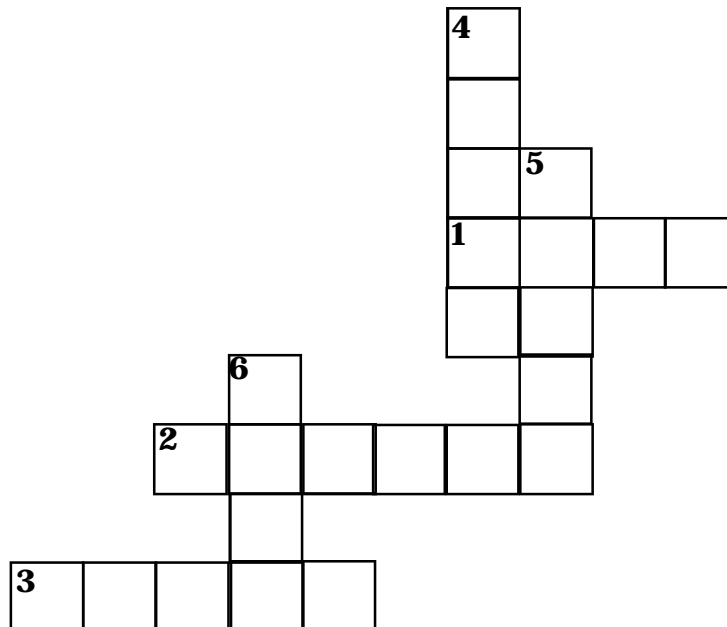
Find the words that make up the puzzle.

Across

- 1. Recycle soda ____ .**
- 2. Eat all your _____ .**
- 3. Save _____ when you take a bath.**

Down

- 4. Use a re-usable _____ box.**
- 5. Use both sides of the _____ .**
- 6. Ride your ____ .**





These things help out the Earth a lot. You may not be able to see the good work you are doing but you are making a difference. Good job!

