



Get in the Scrap! ACTIVITY LIST

Check out these fun activities your class can complete throughout the school year. Full instructions available for download at: getinthescrap.org/how-to

5 POINTS

GET IN THE SCRAP! LESSON:

By analyzing a variety of primary sources, students will be able to understand World War II from a child's perspective and demonstrate the background knowledge necessary to take part in Get in the Scrap!



Scraping



History



Teamwork

8 POINTS

TIN CAN VICTORY GARDEN **NEW!**

Students will learn about the role of victory gardens in World War II and plant their own vegetable in a tin can that they'll scrap themselves!



Scraping



Art



History

WATER-BOTTLE BANK

Students can save loose change while saving the planet when they make individual water-bottle piggy banks. And why not make a big one for the classroom to save up for a well-earned treat?



Scraping



Math



Art

MEMORY JAR

Many kids don't feel like they can make a difference in helping the environment. A memory jar will give them the opportunity to record all they do and accomplish.



Writing



Teamwork

ENERGY AUDIT

Have students conduct a simple home energy audit using the form provided. This will get them focused on a variety of simple ways they can start conserving energy at home. You can also adapt this form to conduct a school audit.



Energy Conservation

ENERGY-RECYCLING QUIZ

How much do your students already know about recycling and energy conservation? Test how your students' knowledge about environmentalism grows throughout the Get in the Scrap! project by using this pre- and post-test.



Scraping



Energy Conservation

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Learning how to communicate by writing a clear, concise, properly formatted letter can fulfill many curriculum needs. Why not combine your letter-writing lesson with this Get in the Scrap! activity?



CREATE YOUR OWN PROPAGANDA POSTER

To ensure that the American public was 100% behind the war effort during World War II, the government produced thousands of posters that encouraged people to join the Army and Navy, not waste food, volunteer their time, and help pay for the war by buying war bonds. Many posters encouraged people to get involved in scrapping efforts. These posters are known as propaganda posters and your students will design their own to decorate the classroom and school.



RECYCLING IS A-MAZE-ING

Sometimes finding a recycling bin can be a real maze! This is a fun activity that encourages students to be more conscious of where recycling bins are located across their schools and communities.



SCRAP CATCHERS

Whether you call them cootie catchers or fortune tellers, this paper origami activity can teach your students about recycling and energy conservation through fun and games.



SCRAP-LIBS

Let's have some fun mixing recycling, energy conservation, parts of speech, and your students' imaginations. The wackier the better—the stories come out funnier that way.



UNDERSTANDING RECYCLING WITH A TWIST

Create a Möbius strip — a three-dimensional object with only one side — to reinforce the concept at recycling.



SKYPE WITH THE MUSEUM

Schedule a 20-minute Skype session to learn all about scrapping in World War II. Get ready to calculate how much recycled material was collected to make critical supplies for the war effort.



DESIGN AND INSTALL SWITCH PLATES

Saving energy is as easy as flipping a switch! So why do so many of us leave the lights on when we're not in a room? Let's fix that problem by making eye-catching switch plates.



12 POINTS

GET IN THE SCRAP! JEOPARDY! NEW!

This Get in the Scrap! version of *Jeopardy!* turns learning the lessons of environmental stewardship into a fast-paced game and gives your students a chance to show off their newly acquired recycling knowledge.



CREATE A BROCHURE

Another way to spread the word about local recycling resources is through creating brochures. Writing for a brochure will teach your students to compose text that is concise and impactful as well as experiment with different elements of design—photography, layout, fonts, colors, etc., to create a powerful message.



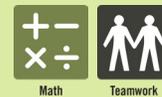
DAILY RECYCLING FACT

There's no better way to get in the habit of getting in the scrap than learning a little about recycling and energy conservation each day. Spend 50 days in your classroom revealing a new recycling fact. We'll provide the first 25 facts, but then it's up to your students to research and find their own. Perfect as a bell ringer activity.



PENNY WARS

As a nod to the WWII steel penny, challenge your class to a penny war. This one-week competition will motivate students to fund-raise for a cause using the change in their pockets.



QUOTE PROMISE PIX

In this activity, your students will not only come up with individual recycling and energy conservation pledges, but will take pictures with them to give a personal reminder to stick to it.



SCRAPPING SONG AND MUSIC VIDEO

During World War II, there were plenty of popular songs written about the war, like "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy," "You're in the Army Now," and "G.I. Jive." Here's your students' chance to set their commitment to recycling and energy conservation to music.



SCRAPPING JOURNAL

There's no better way to understand your environmental impact than keeping a detailed record of it. In this exercise, students will record everything they throw away and everything they recycle over a seven-day period for class reflection.



INVITE A RECYCLING REP TO YOUR CLASS

Does your town have curbside recycling or any type of recycling facility? Is there a local nonprofit whose mission involves recycling or energy conservation? Learn the ins and outs of all things environmentally friendly in your community by inviting a recycling representative to speak to your class.



WATER BOTTLE 100 CHALLENGE

Americans use about 50 billion plastic water bottles each year! Only 23% are recycled. That means 38 billion water bottles are wasted each year (or 15 million barrels of oil). Let's figure out different ways to reuse some of those bottles so they don't end up in a landfill.



INVITE A WWII KID TO YOUR CLASS

Men and women who were elementary or middle school aged during World War II are now in their 70s and 80s. Most have vivid memories of the war years and many are eager to share their experiences with students. Does one of your students have a family member who was a child on the Home Front? If so, why not invite him or her to speak to your class? Students will get a great chance to "see themselves in history" by hearing about life as a child in another age.



25 POINTS

GET IN THE SCRAP! DAY

The Get in the Scrap! Day allows your students to present the activities they've been working on in the classroom related to environmentalism. It provides them the opportunity to educate fellow students on the importance of conservation at school and home. Your class will inspire other students, faculty, and school administrators to be a little more green by Getting in the Scrap!



GET IN THE SCRAP! ARTIFACT TRUNK **NEW!**

Welcome to the exciting, hands-on world of WWII artifacts! Discover the history and lessons of World War II by exploring and analyzing unique service-era artifacts with your students in the classroom.



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