

Brewster Facts

1. The environment is the air, water and land that surrounds us. The environment provides us with oxygen to breathe, water to drink and food to eat. It also provides these things for animals and plants.

2. All the things we eat, drink, breathe or use are called resources. Trees are resources. Oil is a resource, too. The Earth only has a certain amount of some resources. These are called non-renewable resources. Once they are used they cannot be replaced. Other resources can be used over and over again. These resources are renewable.

3. There are so many people living on this planet that all resources and the environment are in danger. We are using non-renewable resources too fast. We are throwing away resources that are still useful. We are polluting the air, water and land we need to live.



4. Part of the problem is waste. Waste is the unwanted material left over from people's activity. Food scraps are waste. Old broken cars are waste. Anything a person uses then throws away is waste. Most waste is buried in the ground. Waste uses resources and creates pollution.

5. There are three ways to stop making too much waste. They are Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. Together they make up the 3 R's.