

Brewster Facts

1. Food scraps, grass clippings and other organic waste rot. Rotting is nature's way of putting minerals and nutrients back into the soil. Minerals and nutrients help plants grow.
2. Composting is a special way to rot waste. By adding things together in the correct way, waste is turned into dirt.
3. A proper compost pile has two kinds of layers. The first type is called green. Vegetables, grass and plants are things found in a green layer. A green layer is high in nitrogen. This helps the tiny bugs found in the compost pile multiply. The second type of layer is called brown. Paper, twigs and saw dust could be found in a brown layer. Carbon is found in this layer. The bugs use carbon for energy.
4. After waste has completely rotted or "broken down", it can be used on gardens, lawns or potted plants.
5. Composting makes more soil and saves landfill space. Both of these things are good for the Earth.

