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EARTH DAY

Earth Day is held every year on _________________________.

It’s the day when millions of __________________________ across the world come together to promote a cleaner, safer ___________________________. Senator Gaylord Nelson of __________________________ is considered the __________________________ of Earth Day. Nelson’s idea evolved over a __________________________ year period beginning in __________________________ and resulted in the first Earth Day being held on April 22, 1970. The first Earth Day drew together more than __________________________ Americans and became the largest grassroots demonstration in __________________________ history. Participants took to the __________________________, lobbied Congress and began the modern environmental movement.
NATURAL RESOURCES

The earth is the source of natural resources. The air we ________, food we ________, clothes we ________ and houses we ________ in come from these resources. We must use them ________.

The earth contains many minerals. To get them, we must dig into the ground. This is called mining.

Did you know that ________ has more than ________ mines? One of them is a ________ mine! Common minerals mined in ________ include sand and sand/clay, clay, gold, granite, kaolin, limestone and vermiculite. These minerals are made into glass for ________, bricks for ________, gravel for ________ and more.
Air Pollution

It can affect our health and our environment. We can all do our part to help ___________________________ air pollution and ___________________________ our health. Turning off your ___________________________ while waiting in the ___________________________ line instead of idling saves ___________________________ and ___________________________ air pollution. “Idling” means that a vehicle’s ___________________________ is turned on but the vehicle is not in motion. The ___________________________ can have a direct effect on air quality. The ___________________________ , ___________________________ , air ___________________________ and ___________________________ can affect how much pollution is in the air we ___________________________. 
WATER POLLUTION

Rain water on the ___________________________ picks up pollutants, then flows into storm drains (grated openings near street curbs). Storm drains ______________________________ this “polluted runoff” through __________________________ beneath the __________________ . Some of these underground pipes lead to __________________ , ______________ , and even the ______________ .

Other runoff seeps directly into the ground. Only __________ percent of the water on earth is ______________ . More than __________ percent of it is ______________ at the North and South Poles. We all share less than __________ percent of all the ______________ water on the planet.

There are ______________ forms of water. In ______________ form we know water as rain or tap water. In ______________ form, it is ice. As a ______________ , we call it vapor.
Does beaches clean!
The beach is a fun place to ___________________________.

and is home to ________________________________.

Some of them mistake ________________________________ for

______________________________ after eating it. That’s why it’s ________________________________
to clean up all the ________________________________ from the

beach after a day of ________________________________ and ________________________________.

Leave only ________________________________ in the sand.

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Recycling is saving items like ________________, ________________ and ________________ so they can be ________________ into new products. But placing the wrong items into the ________________ can contaminate all the collected material. That’s why it’s important to recycle ________________. Rinse aluminum, glass and plastic ________________. Empty and ________________ cardboard boxes. Never put ________________ into your recycling bin. Only recycle ________________ items that your local ________________ accepts.
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