



Are you **light green** or **dark green**?

Reading Comprehension / Nonfiction

Name _____ Date _____



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Earth Day is on April 22nd every year. Earth Day is a day to remember to take care of our planet, Earth. We can take care of our planet by keeping it clean.

We can keep Earth clean by following the rule of “reduce, reuse, recycle”. *Reduce* means *use less*. We can reduce our use of resources like water or gasoline. *Reuse* means *use again*, rather than throw things away. We can *reuse* many things, such as jars, plastic bags, and boxes. *Recycle* means to make something new from something old. We can keep Earth clean by *recycling* materials such as aluminum, paper, and plastic. If we take these materials to a recycling center, they can be used again in a different way.

On Earth Day, we remind ourselves and everyone on Earth that we must do these things. We must do these things every day, not just on Earth Day. We must all do our part, and we can make a difference. On April 22nd, remind everyone you know that every day is Earth Day!



Read the text and answer the following questions about Earth Day.

1. What is the purpose of this essay?

- a. to entertain b. to inform c. to test your knowledge

2. In which month is Earth Day celebrated?

- a. February b. March c. April d. May

3. On Earth Day we remind people to...

- a. recycle paper b. recycle cans c. reuse materials d. all of the above

4. Why does the writer think that Earth Day should be every day?

- a. People want to play in clean parks every day.
b. People should take care of the planet every day.
c. People like to read the newspaper every day.
e. None of the above.

5.- Match the words with their meanings.

Recycle	to use something over again
Reuse	to use a material and make it into something else
Reduce	to use less of something



IN GROUPS, answer the following questions and explain them to your classmates.

- Imagine changing something you do to use fewer resources. Describe.
- Tell how the idea of recycling reminds you of an experience you have had (yourself or with your family or friends).
- After reading the story what do you think is meant by *resources*?
- What did you learn about Earth Day that you did not already know? In what situation might this new information be useful?

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