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2016

APRIL - THIS MONTH

☸ Warmer weather? Spend it outside

☸ Spring is here! What's new?

☸ Celebrate EARTH DAY April 22 - Visit a fair in your town

☸ Arbor Day (29), South Indian New Year (14), Passover (22)

☸ Watch the moon - new moon (7) to full moon (22)

☸ Look for stars - constellations Leo (Lion), Virgo, and planets Mercury, Jupiter, later Mars and Saturn.

24^{Leo}

Arcturus +



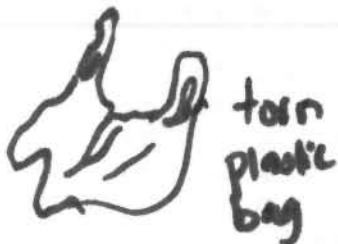
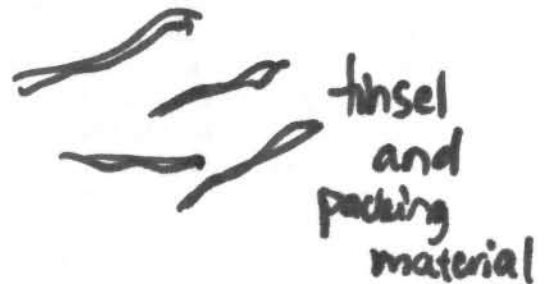


1. Organize an Earth Day event - share ideas, stories, and food!
2. Collect money for people suffering because of climate change.
3. Give up one day of tv/games/technology/phone for the planet.
4. Learn to make something you might buy.
5. Notice when someone is being kind to the planet - share a badge (see p.8)

This into That



cut into strips



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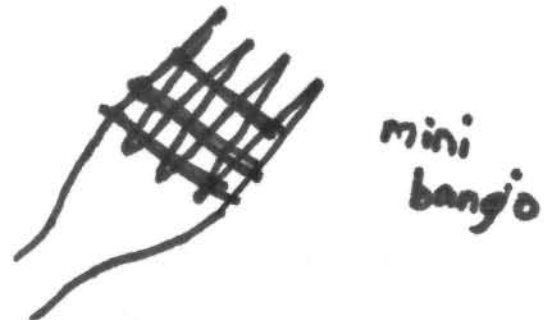


fill with soil

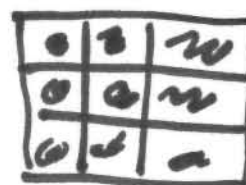
Let them in at a store



+ rubber bands



rinse



store office supplies, legos, beads, paint

What can Jenny/Johnny do?

Jenny and Johnny's spring garden can include various veggies! They can plant from seeds they buy or save (like watermelon seeds - organic only!) or tops of carrots or (sprouted) beans. They can plant them in small pots or move them to a larger vegetable bed. They can visit a farmer's market to learn more from a farmer!

You can, too!



Johnny's traveling for the summer.

How can the family use less energy
and still have a fun vacation?



FOLLOW THE SUN

- hold your hand out, arm stretched, hand turned sideways. 1 finger height above the horizon = 15 minutes left of sunlight



- the sun rises in the east. follow shadows to go west. which way is North? Southeast?
- In the afternoon, the sun is west. where are the shadows?

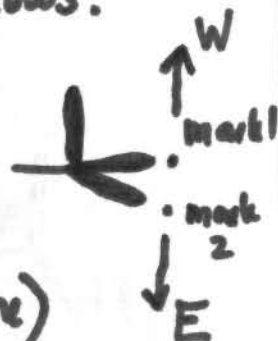


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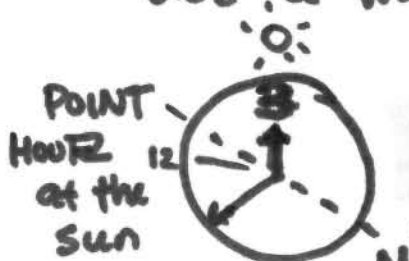


mark tip West

wait 15 minutes



- Use a watch (or draw one with the right time)



3 o'clock
(3:50 PM)

this line is the North-South line



7:15 AM



10:30 AM 6

EARTH DAY SCAVENGER HUNT

FIND AND DO:

☐ RECYCLE 3 THINGS 

☐ COMPOST SOMETHING 

☐ PACK A WASTE-FREE LUNCH 

☐ TELL SOMEONE
WHAT ORGANIC
MEANS 

☐ MOVE A BUG OUT
OF A PATH 

☐ DRIPPING TAP
(GET A GROWNUP TO
FIX IT!) 

☐ SHARE SOMETHING
YOU DON'T NEED 

☐ PICK UP A PIECE OF TRASH 

☐ PUT A HANKY IN YOUR
JACKET POCKET 

☐ PLANT SOMETHING 

☐ SHOP AT A FARMER'S
MARKET - FIND A
FUNNY-SHAPED VEGGIE 

☐ WASTED ENERGY 

☐ REPAIR SOMETHING
(OR LEARN HOW) 

☐ A RECIPE
YOU CAN MAKE 

Earth Day badges



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MAKE
YOUR
OWN!

