



BELFAST HILLS PARTNERSHIP LITTER RESOURCE PACK (PRIMARY)

This pack is designed to introduce pupils to the topic of litter by exploring what it is, its impact on the environment and what we can do about it. The following worksheets are designed to accompany our Litter Bugs video, which can be found on our Youtube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/user/Belfasthills/videos>)

We hope that the video and these activities will get pupils thinking about our impact on the environment and how our positive actions can have a beneficial effect on the local environment and wildlife. These resources directly link to the NI Primary Curriculum for Key Stages 1&2 through the World Around Us, helping children develop an awareness of themselves, their place in the world and the environment. The theme of this pack explores the positive & negative effect of people on the natural environment over time, change over time and our responsibility to make an active contribution to the natural world.



LITTER BUGS WORD SEARCH

Litter Bugs



Can you find all the **litter** words below in the word search? Colour in each one you can find! You could decorate your page with drawings of some of the words you find.

Find the following words in the puzzle.
Words are hidden → and ↓ .

ENVIRONMENT
DECOMPOSE
POLLUTION
WOODLAND

HABITAT
SPECIES
PLASTIC
LITTER

RIVER
BIN



LITTER LEGENDS MISSION

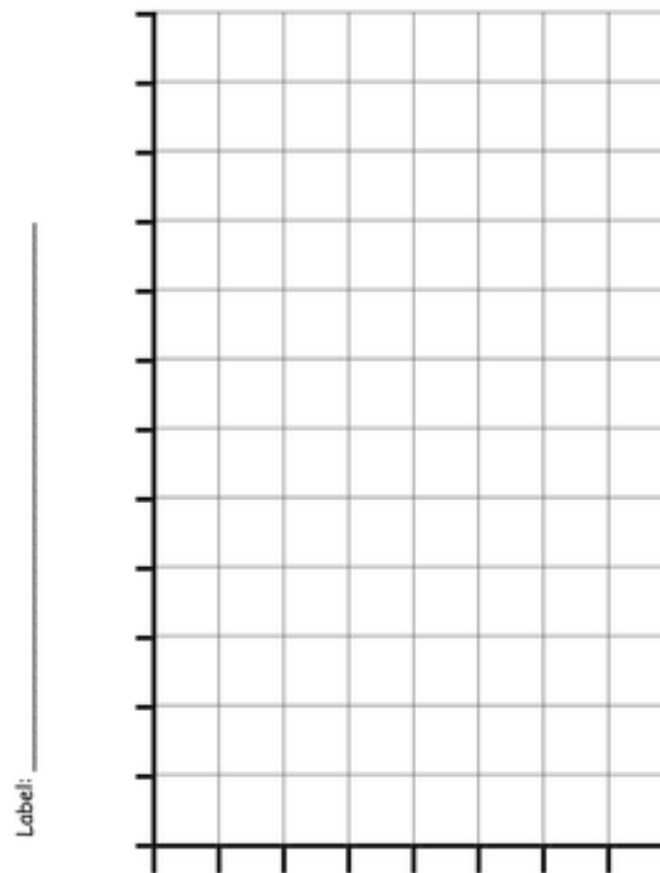
Mission: Take a walk and explore your school grounds or local park. While you walk, identify all the different types of litter you see and how many pieces of each you spot. Record these in the table below.

Type of Litter	Number

Back inside, talk about your results and think about which type of litter is the biggest problem and why this might be. Using the results from your table, make a graph using the grid opposite to show the number of different types of litter then label and colour them in. You could colour the litter that can be recycled a different colour.

Can you think of anything your school could do to tackle litter in your school grounds and lower the numbers in your graph?

A bar graph to show _____



Label: _____



LITTER LEGENDS

Now that you've watched the video, can you use the words in the box to fill in the gaps below describing why litter is a problem?

There are many different _____ of litter, like plastic bottles and wrappers. We can find litter in lots of different _____ such as rivers and forests. Litter is ugly and can be _____ for wildlife. Animals could choke or be _____ by eating litter. They could get tangled in litter and get an _____. Litter can take a very long time to _____ so it's really important we get rid of it properly. We can reduce, reuse and _____ our waste. When we're out for a walk or in the park or playground, we can put our litter in the _____ or take it back home with us. This way we can help the _____ and be litter legends!

TYPES
POISONED
BIN

DANGEROUS
HABITATS
RECYCLE

INJURY
ENVIRONMENT
DECOMPOSE

In the box below, design an anti-litter poster to show why litter is bad and to encourage more litter legends in your school or at home!



DECOMPOSITION DETECTIVES

Decomposition = when litter crumbles up, breaks down into smaller bits and rots away.
This can take a very long time!

Litter Legends - Can you match the litter with how long it takes to decompose? You may be surprised! Draw a line between each one and then discuss the answers with your teacher.

You could also cut out the pictures and boxes and create a timeline, or you could collect pieces from your own kitchen or recycling box at home and create a decomposition timeline out of the objects!



2
years

1
month

Millions
of years!

50
years

500
years

10-20
years

50
years

80
years

Decomposition Detectives Answers:

Can: 50 years

Banana: 2 years

Plastic Bottle: 500 years

Plastic Bag: 10-20 years

Tyre: 50 years

Newspaper: 1 month

Glass Bottle: millions of years

Crisp Packet: 80 years

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We would love to hear any feedback regarding the use of this pack and accompanying video!

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