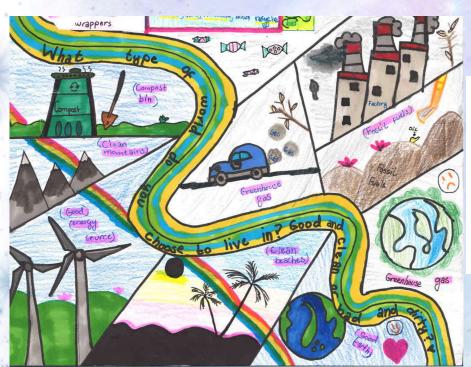


May the 4Rs Be With You Contest 2023

Anika Jain, Pleasanton

1st Place Elementary Illustration & Poem

My 4Rs: Reuse, Recycle, Rot, Rethink



Earth By Anika Jain

Earth has given us a home , before you even got your phone, it has served us well , does this ring a bell, can't you do the same , that Earth did for you, by keeping or oceans bright bright blue, can't you save the Earth, plant a seed, it is a good good deed , don't you think about the Earth, just remember it gave you birth, it gave you blue, but you give it gray, what do you have to say?

My (Re)Generation Action Story:

My 4rs are rot, reuse, recycle, and rethink. I want to rot and compost more food if we do not then the poor animals go towards the landfill for food and might eat other trash, rather than the food. It is also better for our soil and to create new types of cleaner energy sources. I want to reuse things, if we keep buying things it pollutes the Earth.

Anika's Story Continued:

We need to reuse things and not use lots of plastic. I believe we should recycle. If you can't reuse something, at least recycle that thing. Do not litter an animal could think it is food. I believe we should rethink. Rethink building factories, rethink littering. Not following these 4rs is not harm to other things, you are harming yourself by not following these 4rs. If you want a better place, a better home then start following the 4rs today.

My picture is divided into two sections. You must choose which world you want to live in. The line is like a metaphor of a barrier. 2 different worlds, one bad one good. My picture also has a rainbow on the good side that is like a connection with all the things from nature since the rainbow is natural and it is from nature. You could also think about how one side is the future and one side is the present. On the future side I put nature and scenery because that is want we want our world to be, a clean place. On the present side I have put all the things we have and need to stop. My picture connects to rot since there is greenery and cleaner electricity. It connects to reuse because we are reusing food and other things for our cleaner greener world. It connects to recycle since there are clean oceans without plastic. Last but not least it connects to rethink. Rethink which side you want to choose before you make a decision. Rethink the world. There is also a rainbow on the good side that is connecting all things. I put it because it shows how if we want to save the world we need to do all those things.

I also made a poem that tells about how Earth helped us and how we should help Earth back. It shows all 4rs since to help Earth we need to do the 4rs. My poem has a deeper meaning but I want you to find it out. I am taking charge towards the world by recycling papers and saving wrappers. Every day is like a new step for me to make the world a better place for you and me. I made a mistake while drawing, but rather than throwing it I got scraps from the recycling bin to cover it. I think that we all should take charge. If only one person tries to help the whole world nothing will happen. We need everyone to help make our world a better place. That is my 4rs action project's purpose.