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MAY THE 4RS BE WITH YOU CONTEST 2022

Our 4Rs: Recreation, Rebuild, Reopen, Recycle

Locked Up Wonderland



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Locked up
Wonderland,
All alone.

The seasons have
changed from green, to stone.

Our earth is starting t
fade. Trash in landfill, what a day!

If we want save the d:

The keys are with you, you
just gotta know.

To save the planet, we need
open the locked up wonderland.

Our (Re)Generation Action Story

Sehr's explanation: Lena's bearded dragon is a metaphor of humans locked up not making a difference. We have the power to make the earth green again but we are too lazy to get up. We have the keys to change this but we keep them in our pockets. Our earth is actually a beautiful place but we have made it dirty and we have ruined it. It is important to remember that every day is earth day. Our poem explains how all we are doing is looking at the tv and sitting there. you should be getting up, cleaning parks, neighborhoods, beaches, and do more to get involved

My 4rs are recreation, rebuild, reopen, and recycle.

My first r is recreation, in today's world all we are doing is sitting on couches and watching tv and using so many different types of technology when we could actually get out and help our planet, start doing activities out which are better for your health.

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My second r is rebuild, we have made our planet where trash is everywhere, we can rebuild what has been destroyed and make the earth green again.

My 3rd r is reopen. Like in the poem we mention that our world is locked up and if we open it we will have a green and beautiful home. We have the key but we don't use them.

My 4th r is recycle, when my class took a field trip to the San Leandro transfer station, I learned that there is so much that we can recycle, but instead we find useful things lying on streets or floating in the middle of the ocean.

Lena's explanation: The poem that me and Sehr wrote is mainly about how you have to take care of the earth/environment and be resourceful. If we could take care of the earth properly, we wouldn't have to worry about our landfill getting full, and global warmings. The wonderland is in our imagination, we have to bring it to life! Start doing whatever you can to let the earth breath!

Now, I want to ask this question to yourself, what will you do to make the earth better?

The "keys" is the metaphor for that we have to start composting, recycling, and paying more attention to the earth. The first 4r this connects to is "recreation." Recreation means doing an activity or exercise that you enjoy. It connects to the picture because if we would take care of the earth, then we could have recreation in our life. Today, all we are doing is drinking McDonald's slushies.

My 2nd 4r is "rebuild." Rebuild connects to the picture because if we could replace our old earth, and build a new one, our earth would be like a dreamland.

My 3rd 4r is "reopen." The metaphor "reopen what has been locked before" means that in the past we had this beautiful earth full of all type of beautiful things! We need to reopen the past and start not to litter. We have to reopen that just like how the people cut the red ribbon when a famous invention has been built!

My final 4r is "recycle" is connecting to the picture, because if you recycle and sort your trash correctly, the earth can be much healthier! Recycling your items is very important! We don't want the landfill to take wrappers and other recyclable items! Sort your trash!

The photography picture, "Locked Up Wonderland" is explaining how we are mentally trapped in a black and white world, with no color, but if we start taking care of the earth, we could live in a wonderland.

Basically, it's a metaphor for we can save the earth by one person starting. (Like dominos.) When one person does something healthy to the earth, then just like dominos, another person starts doing it, then on and on.

The tin foil is representing the dying earth, and the bearded dragon is representing the people. As you can see, next to my bearded dragon, (or on top of him,) there are dead flowers representing the low supplies we have on the earth. But on the outside of the big tin foil bowl, there is this beautiful, green, colorful, flowery place. It is representing that if we would take care of the earth properly, then we could live in a beautiful wonderland that kids & adults can have fun.