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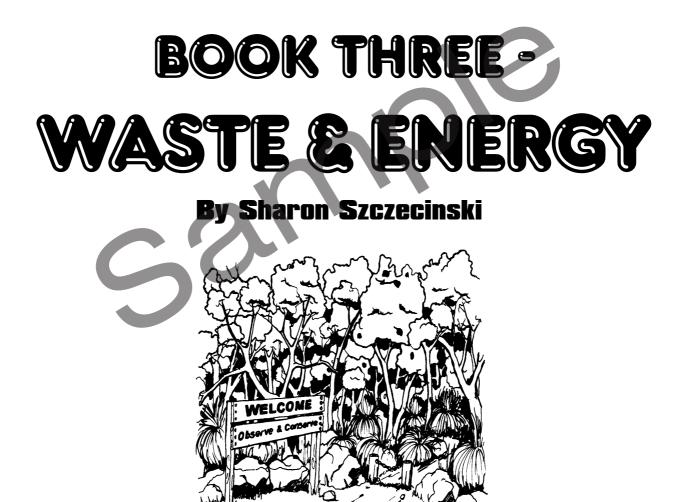
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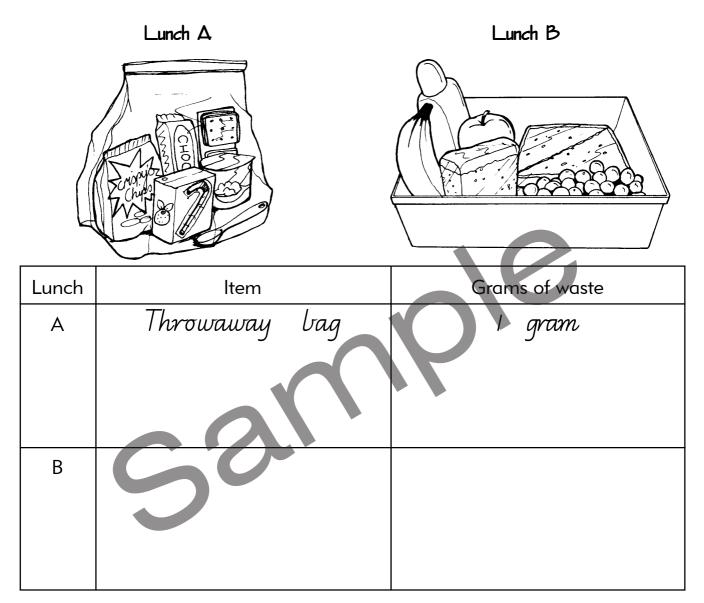
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What About Lunch?

Examine the lunch boxes in your classroom. Estimate how much waste will be produced by each lunch. An example has been completed for you.



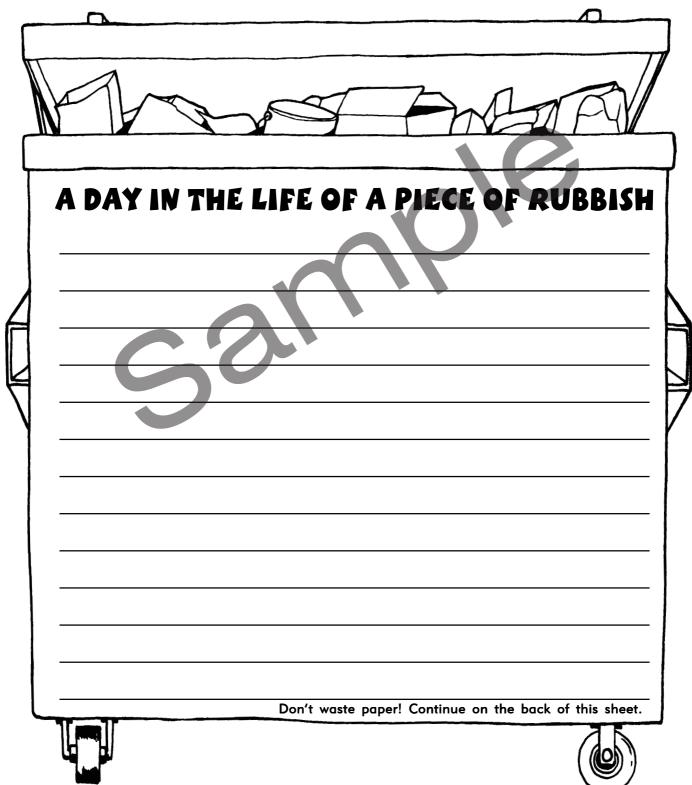
- 1. Which lunch produced less waste?
- 2. Why did one lunch produce more waste than the other?_____
- **3.** How could the biggest waste producing lunch be changed to make less waste?
- 4. Which lunch would students prefer? Why? _____

Wheelie Waste to Where?

What actually happens to the waste? How is it treated? Is there a difference between waste from households or waste from shops and industries? What about stuff that can be recycled? What about waste from toilets? Where does it all go?

Write a story to explain a day in the life of a piece of rubbish. Where do you go, what happens to you? Be as creative as you can.

This web site might help you: www.epa.gov/kids/garbage.htm



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Recycling is something that we can all do on an individual level, however, many of the world's waste concerns need a lot of people to help. A non-government organisation (NGO) is an organisation that is dedicated to a particular issue. For example, the Red Cross is a non-government organisation that helps people in war situations, as part of their role. There are many organisations that look after the environment. Greenpeace, for example, is a worldwide organisation that is dedicated to environmental activities.

Check out the organisations listed below and be sure to visit the listed web sites. Find out what the organisation does to reduce waste in Australia or the world. Add two more organisations of your own.

Organisation	What they do
Planet Ark www.planetark.org	
Clean Up Australia www.cleanup.com.au	
Keep Australia Beautiful Council www.keepaustraliabeautiful.org.au	
Can Smart - Steel Can Recycling www.cansmart.org	

Life Before Electricity

Have you ever been camping before? If you slept in a tent you might have noticed that the night seemed a lot darker. Often, when people go camping they take with them gas camping lights and torches. Tents don't have a switch to turn on the lights. Imagine what it must have been like before people had electricity in their homes. How would this have affected the lives of people?

Using old magazines, shop catalogues and newspapers cut out at least 10 products that use electricity. Paste them into the space below. (If you don't have any magazines draw 10 pictures yourself). Write down what would have been used before electricity came along. One has been completed for you.

Products that use electricity	What would we use without electricity?
	pencil, paper, pads, files, pen, ink,
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