

WORD CARDS AND PICTURE CARDS

Possible Uses

Teachers could ask students to do the following, using the word cards and picture cards:

- While viewing the pictures or poster, do a search. Can you find someone that is saving water, cleaning litter, et cetera?
- Choose a word card and/or a picture card and act out the situation. (What is the conversation that goes with it?)
- Randomly select a word card and a picture card, and try to find a connection.
- Choose a picture card and decide what words fit with it.
- Choose a word card and decide what pictures fit with it.
- Choose a picture card and decide what happened before, during, and/or after (act it out and draw it).
- Choose a picture and discuss how this relates to what we are doing at home and school. What are some extensions? Decide on a plan and carry it out.
- Sort the pictures into categories and name the categories.
- Choose a picture and discuss its importance. (Why is it part of the poster?)
- What pictures are missing? What could be included? What would you add to the poster?
- Design a related poster in the context of your school, classroom, or home. (What are you wishing for a happier Earth?)
- Use the seven Rs to sort the pictures (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Rethink, Resist, Restore, Refuse).

In addition, teachers could use the word cards and picture cards in the following ways:

- Choose a picture to focus on for the month. Put it in the newsletter to encourage conversations between children and their families.
- Focus on a card of the week in your classroom. (How can children share ideas about this with the school and their families?)
- Use some of the words for a word splash activity.