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Note for Parents and Teachers

This colour-in book is a simple educational tool to be used by parents and teachers. It can be used to educate primary school students on the importance of Reducing, Reusing and Recycling waste.

It is designed so parents, teachers and students can interact throughout the book and work together in the learning process. The colouring-in activities and find-a-word puzzle should be used to reinforce the message of waste minimisation by allowing students to interact with the story.

The Clean Green Gang Discovers The 3 R's



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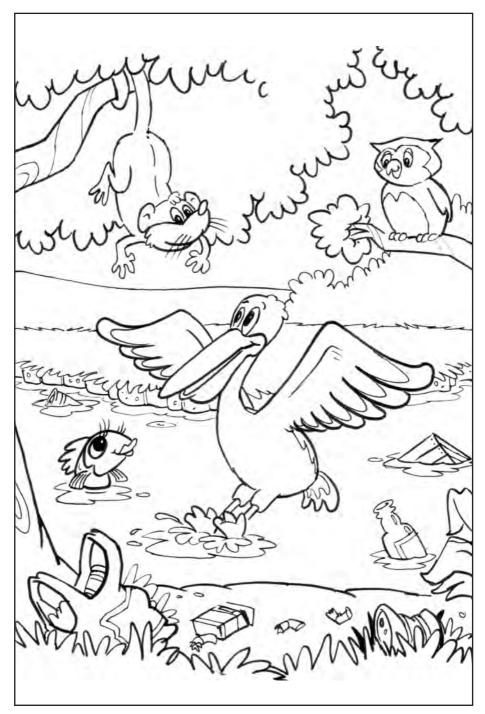
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Penny Pelican was on her way back from her wonderful holiday.

As she flew in along the River towards home she noticed rubbish floating on the surface of the water. She was shocked that anyone could pollute her favourite river.

I must do something to clean the river, she thought. She greeted her friends Ozzie Owl, Peter Possum and Mollie Mullet as she landed.

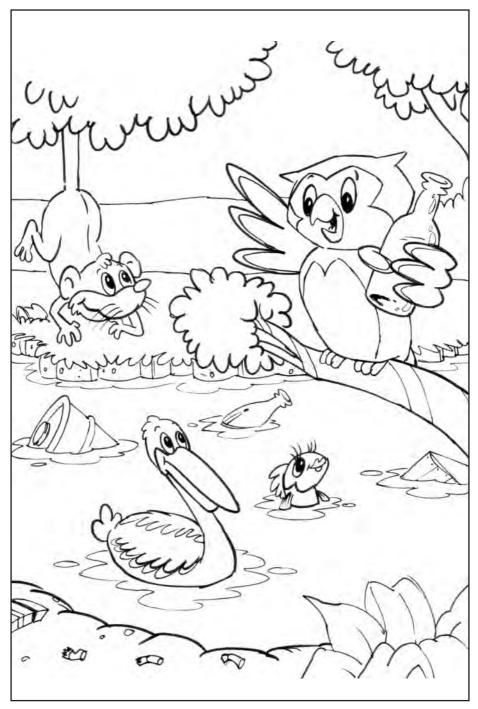
"What can we do about all this rubbish?" she said.



Ozzie Owl, who always has an answer, replied, "I think I know how to fix this problem."

"We can teach the people who live in this area how to **REDUCE** their rubbish, and to **REUSE** and **RECYCLE** the things they use in their homes."

"Great idea Ozzie," said the friends together.



Peter Possum was confused.

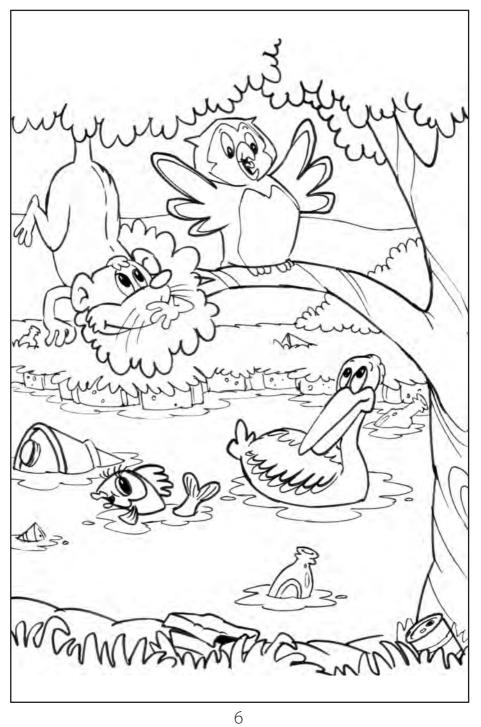
"Um, Ozzie, how exactly are we going to tell everyone about reducing rubbish, recycling and reusing?"

"People don't often listen to animals."

"We will make a sign," said Ozzie.

"I have just the right tail for painting," said Mollie Mullet. "I've always wanted to be a painter."

"Let's go then," said Penny.



So the next day the four friends set off to make their sign. Once they began work lots of other animals came along to help.

"We need three parts to the sign", said Ozzie.

"The first part explains how to **reduce** waste, the second part explains how humans can **reuse** waste and the third teaches them about **recycling**".

"Wow, that's **the three R's – REDUCE**, **REUSE**, **RECYCLE!"** exclaimed Peter.



Once the sign was finished, the friends wondered where they could hang it.

Maybe on the highway....or on the

Council Offices....or on the Post Office?

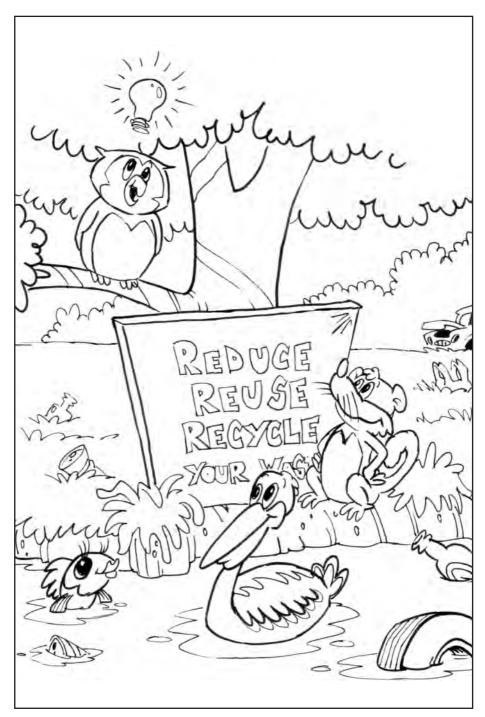
"I have a better idea," said Ozzie "...but I will need your help Penny".

Ozzie explained his idea to the friends who gasped in amazement.

"Do you really think it will work?" Mollie said to Ozzie.

"The weather looks good so let's try tomorrow," replied Ozzie.

"Be here bright and early!"

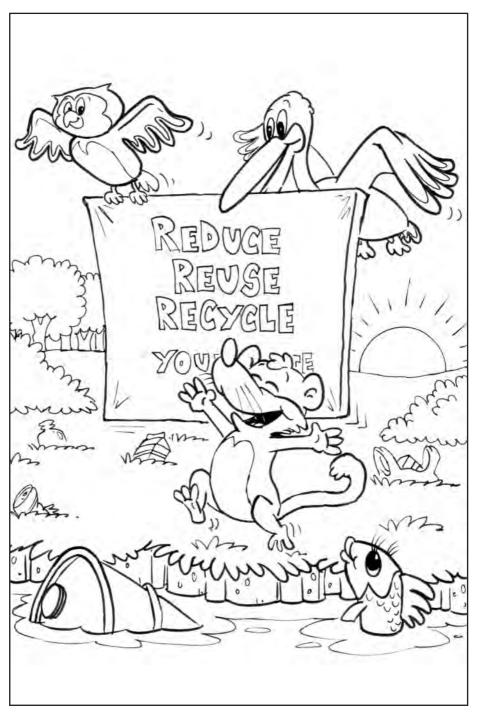


The next day dawned bright and sunny.

The friends gathered around to set their plan in place.

First, Penny took one end of the sign in her strong beak. At the other end, Ozzie bravely picked up his end. Then, slowly but surely the big sign was lifted off the ground.

"Mission Control....we have lift-off!" laughed Peter as the sign floated across the sky.



The residents of the area were amazed at the huge sign floating across the sky.

At one area they cheered and said they would reduce their waste...

At another they shouted that they would try reusing their waste...

At another, residents looked to the sky in amazement.

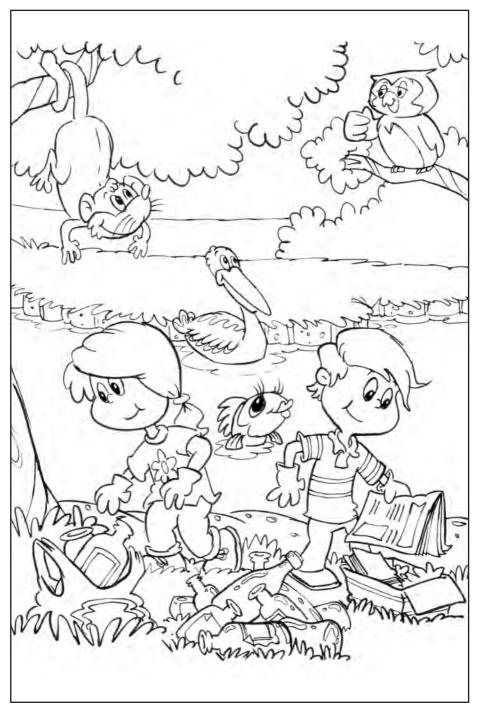
"Recycling! What a fantastic idea!" they said to each other excitedly...

...Even the Mayor of the area saw the sign and was impressed at what the animals had done!



The next day was full of activity. People looked for things to reuse instead of throwing them away, others loaded up material that could be recycled.

Best of all a group led by two children named Jackson and Brooke were going to every park, garden and river and cleaning them. They also placed signs up about **reducing** and **reusing** waste and **recycling**.



Jackson and Brooke visited all the schools in the area with their important environmental message. They explained to adults and children just how easy it was to **follow the 3 R's – REDUCE, REUSE and RECYCLE**.

Penny and Ozzie followed them proudly, watching their progress from a distance.

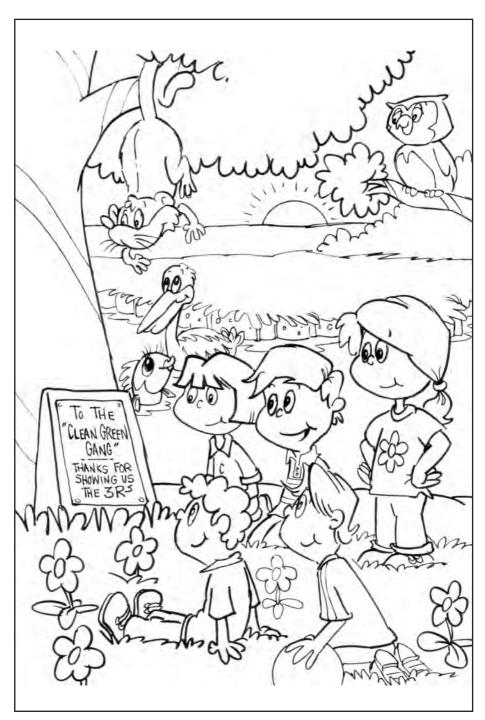
"I am so proud of these kids", said Penny.

"They have really made a difference for all of us".



From that day forward Penny's area was known as the cleanest, greenest area in Australia.

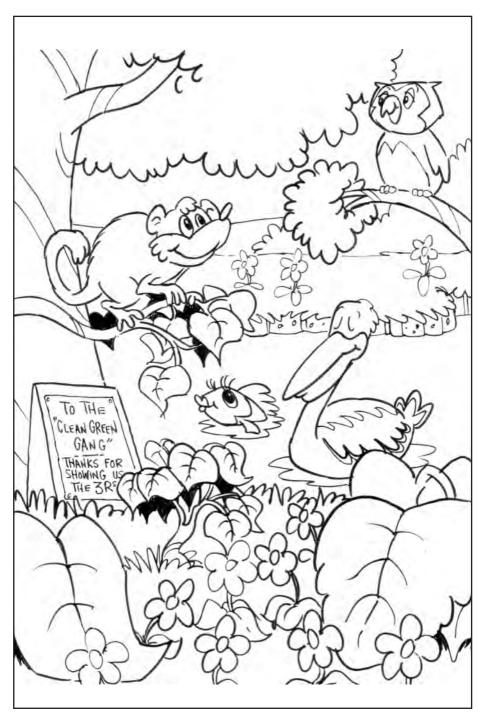
The animal friends, along with Brooke and Jackson had become known as the Clean and Green Gang because they showed people living there how to improve the environment by doing the **3R's. REDUCE, REUSE and RECYCLE**.



Penny and her friends were very happy to have their river clean and clear. The Mayor placed a plaque by the river to show their thanks to Penny and her friends.

To the Clean and Green Gang Thanks for showing us the 3 R's

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FIND-A-WORD GAME

Can you find the following words in the jumble of letters on the next page?

The words can run top to bottom, bottom to top, left to right, right to left, and diagonally.

See if you can find the hidden message from the remaining letters by placing them in the spaces below the jumble. The remaining letters are in order from left to right.

(Answer is on back page)

Good Luck!

PLAYING	ENVIRONMENT
MAYOR	HELPING
OZZIE	FRIENDS
PETER	SIGN
MOLLIE	ANIMALS
RUBBISH	GLASS
MINIMISE	CARDBOARD
REUSE	PAPER
RECYCLE	LITTER
REDUCE	TREES
FUN	JACKSON
COMMUNITY	BROOKE
PARK	OWL
RIVERS	TIP
CLEANING	WASTE
PENNY	COMPOST
PELICAN	

The Clean Green Gang help save the environment



JACKSON



BROOKE



PENNY PELICAN



OZZIE OWL



PETER POSSUM



MOLLIE MULLET

Answer to find-a-word

HELP THE CLEAN AND GREEN GANG
BY PROMOTING
REDUCE. REUSE. RECYCLE !!!



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