

A vibrant, circular collage of eco-friendly icons. At the center, a pair of hands holds a green and blue globe. Surrounding the globe are various symbols: a recycling symbol, a lightbulb with a flower, a bicycle, a water drop, a footprint, a recycling bin, a recycling symbol, a recycling symbol, a recycling symbol, and a recycling symbol. The background is a mix of light blue and white, with a large blue letter 'a' on the left.

You probably don't know

Amazing Recycling Facts

Recycling reduces landfill waste and prevents pollution



Amazing Recycling Facts

**The average American throws away
4.9 pounds of trash per day**



That's 1,825 pounds
per year per person

A dairy cow
weighs about
1,500 pounds.

Source: [EPA](#)



Amazing Recycling Facts

**An aluminum can that
is thrown away today
will still be an aluminum
can in **500 years****

Plastic bottles last 700 years,
and glass bottles as much as
4,000 years



Amazing Recycling Facts

**Recycling soda cans creates
95% less air pollution and 97% less
water pollution than making new ones**



AIR POLLUTION



WATER POLLUTION

Amazing Recycling Facts

**Food waste makes up nearly
a quarter of the trash in landfills**



Source: [EPA](https://www.epa.gov/foodwaste)

Amazing Recycling Facts

Recycling one ton of cardboard saves over nine cubic yards of landfill space



9 cubic yards is almost the size of three Olympic swimming pools.



Source: [MIT](#)

Amazing Recycling Facts

**One ton of recycled plastic
saves 16.3 barrels of oil**



Wow, that's
a lot of oil
we can save!



Source: [Stanford University](#)

Amazing Recycling Facts

Plastic bags thrown into the ocean kill
1,000,000 sea creatures every year



Plastic bags cannot go into most curbside bins, **but they can be recycled.** More than 18,000 stores provide drop-off locations in the U.S.

Source: [Florida Tech](#)



Amazing Recycling Facts

The Great Pacific Garbage Patch, a vast collection of plastics and other debris, is estimated to weigh 3 million tons and covers an area twice the size of Texas



Source: [Florida Tech](#)



Amazing Recycling Facts

Approximately 1 billion trees worth of paper are thrown away every year in the U.S.

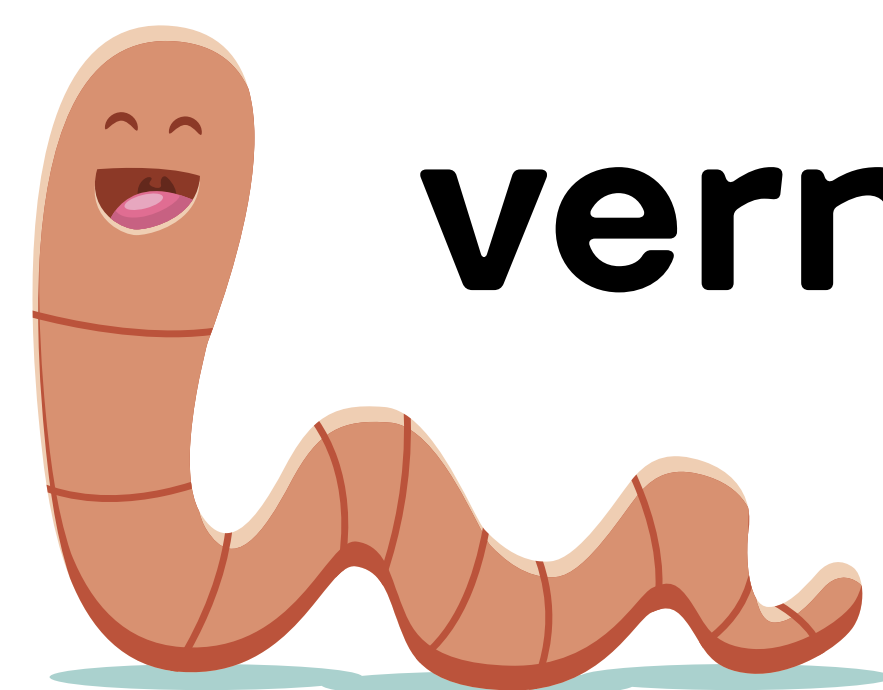
If Americans recycled all of their newspapers, we could save **250,000,000** trees a year.



Amazing Recycling Facts



One pound of red worms will eat a half-pound of food waste every day



One type of composting is called **vermiculture**, and it uses worms!

Amazing Recycling Facts

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recycling facts**



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