

# Litter and the Environment

The Messy Magpie



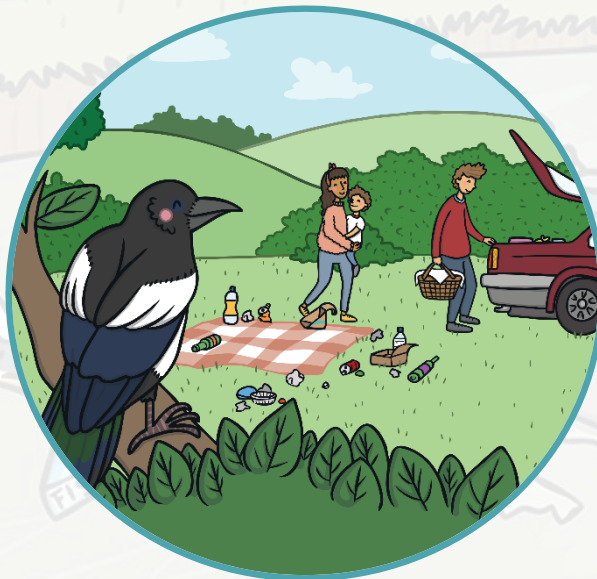
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# What Is Litter?

Litter is rubbish that has not been put in a bin.



Litter might have been dropped by accident or left by someone who didn't think carefully about putting it in the bin.





# Why Is Litter Bad?

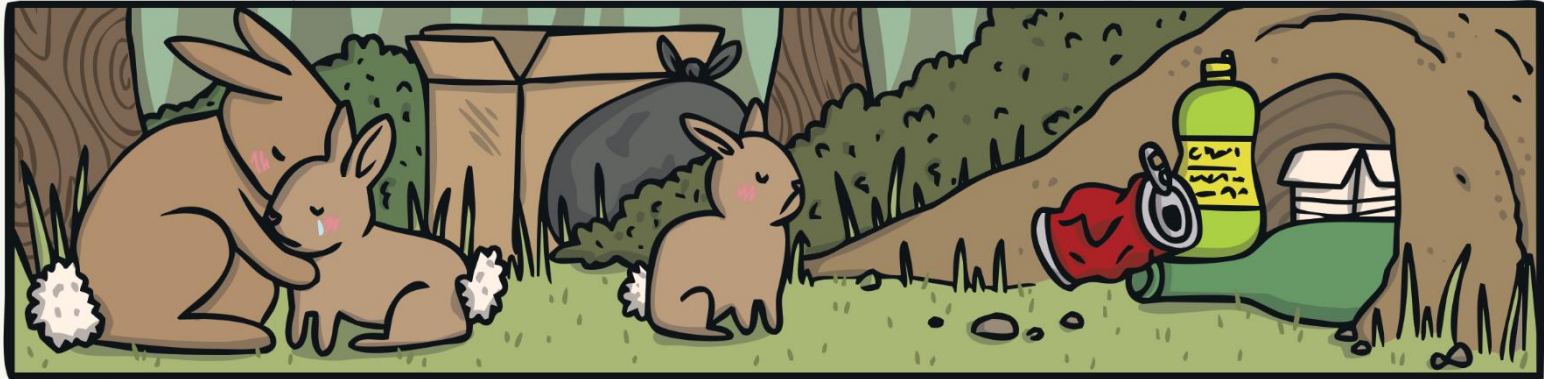
Litter is bad for  
our world.



It doesn't look very  
nice and it can be  
very harmful to  
humans, animals and  
the environment.



# How Is Litter Affecting the Rabbits?



The litter has blocked the rabbits' burrow. They have nowhere to live!



# How Is Litter Affecting the Hedgehogs?



The hedgehog has got stuck in the glass jar. He won't be able to move and find food!

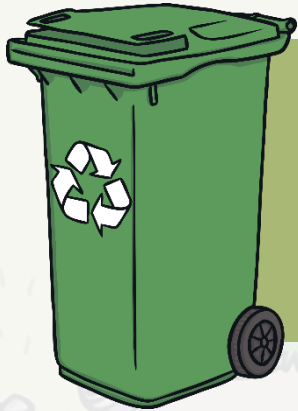
# How Is Litter Affecting the Otters?



The otter is caught in the plastic bag. The litter is also blocking up the river.



# How Can You Help?



Make sure you recycle as much rubbish as you can.

If rubbish cannot be recycled, make sure you put it carefully into a rubbish bin.

Try to follow these steps to stop animals getting hurt from different types of rubbish:

- Cut up rubbish like balloons and plastic drinks holders before throwing them away.
- Crush cans and tins before recycling them.
- Tie up the handles of plastic bags before recycling them.



# How Can You Help?

Can you try at least one of these activities to help the wildlife in our local area?

- Make posters to put up in your school.
- Talk to people at home about how important it is to recycle and throw rubbish away carefully.
- You could even start a litter-picking club to keep your school environment/home street free from litter.









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