



# TRANSFORM YOUR FOOD Into Fertilizer

Take Action for Earth! You can make soil healthier by fertilizing it with decomposed material, like leaves, grass, and food scraps. This material is called "compost."

# **MATERIALS**

- Two, 2-liter recycled plastic soda bottles
- Scissors
- Tape
- Tool for punching holes

## **COMPOST INGREDIENTS**

- Use fruit and vegetable scraps from your kitchen. Do not use citrus, meat, or dairy
- Layer with dry leaves or soil
- Keep material moist



### **BOTTLE CONSTRUCTION**

- REMOVE LABEL AND CUT 1ST BOTTLE
  Cut bottle near the bottle's hip and remove cap. Throw away the feet, and keep A.
- 2 REMOVE LABEL AND CUT 2ND BOTTLE
  Cut bottle just below the shoulder to
  make two parts, B and C. Keep cap
  screwed on tight.
- 3 MAKE HOLES
  On bottle A, puncture a dozen or so small holes near the top of the body to allow oxygen to circulate.
- PLACE TOGETHER

  Put bottle A inside C, and place compost ingredients inside the cavity of A. Then place B on-top of A and tape together.

### **ALLOW COMPOST TO DECOMPOSE**

Decomposition should begin after a few days and last several months. Store the container indoors or outdoors. *Tip: Freezing may slow the process and direct sunlight may dry it out. Keep in dry dark area and check to make sure the compost is slightly damp.* 





