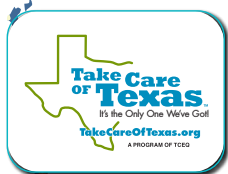


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Hi, I'm River!

And my name
is Sky!

We're Blue Lacys, the state dog of Texas.
Our ancestors settled in Marble Falls, Texas,
back in the 1800s so they could help people.
Texas Blue Lacys love to work and our ancestors
were herding dogs that worked on ranches.

We also like to do our part, and help our friends

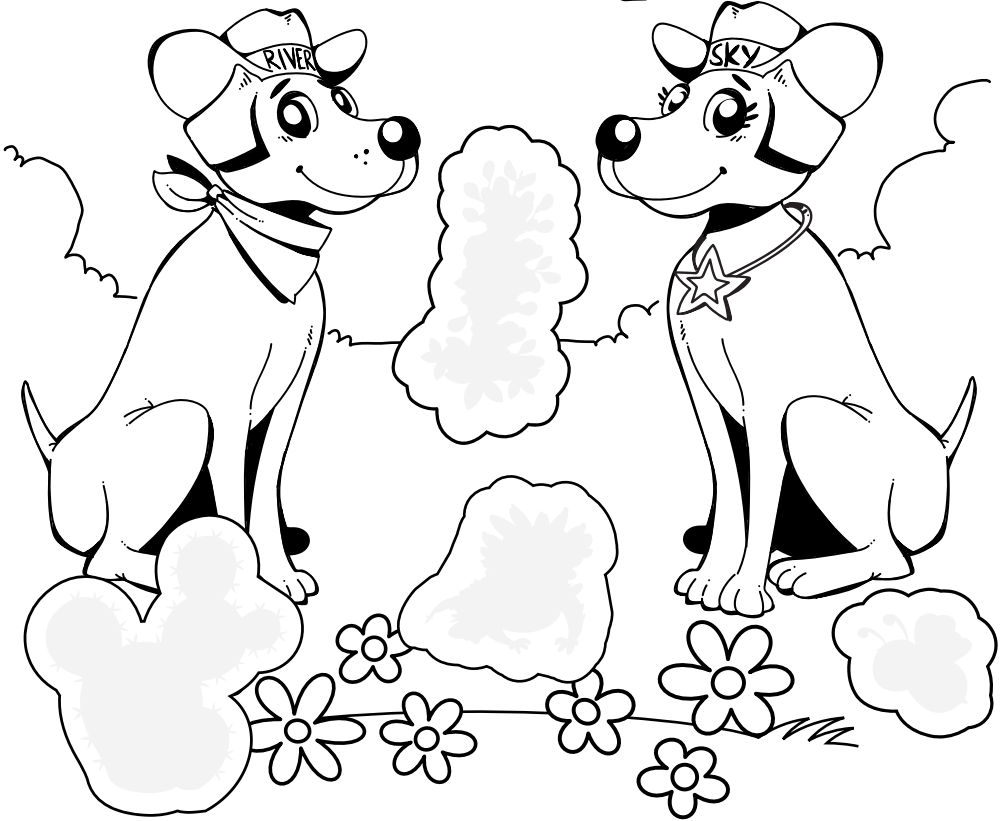
Take Care of Texas.

Tell us your name

**It is a beautiful
state, too.**



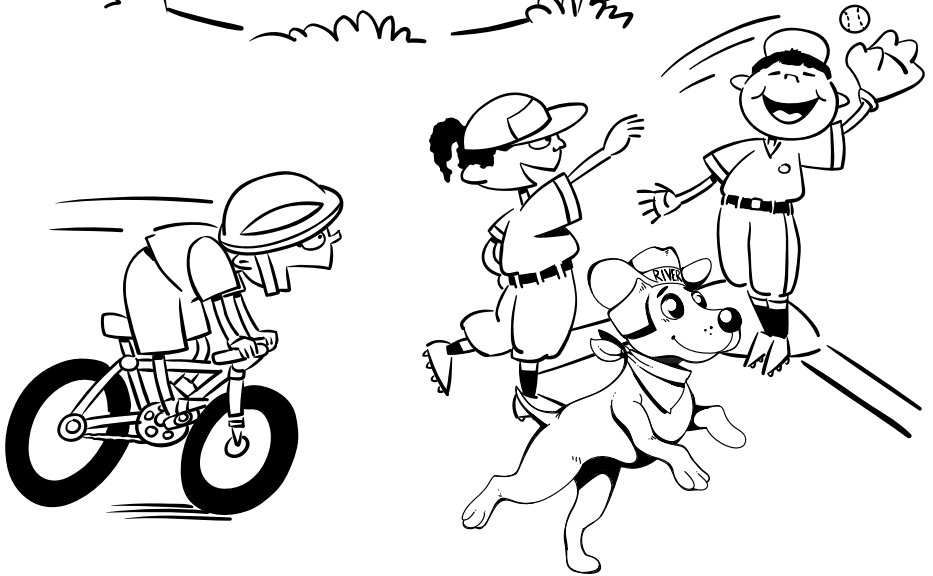
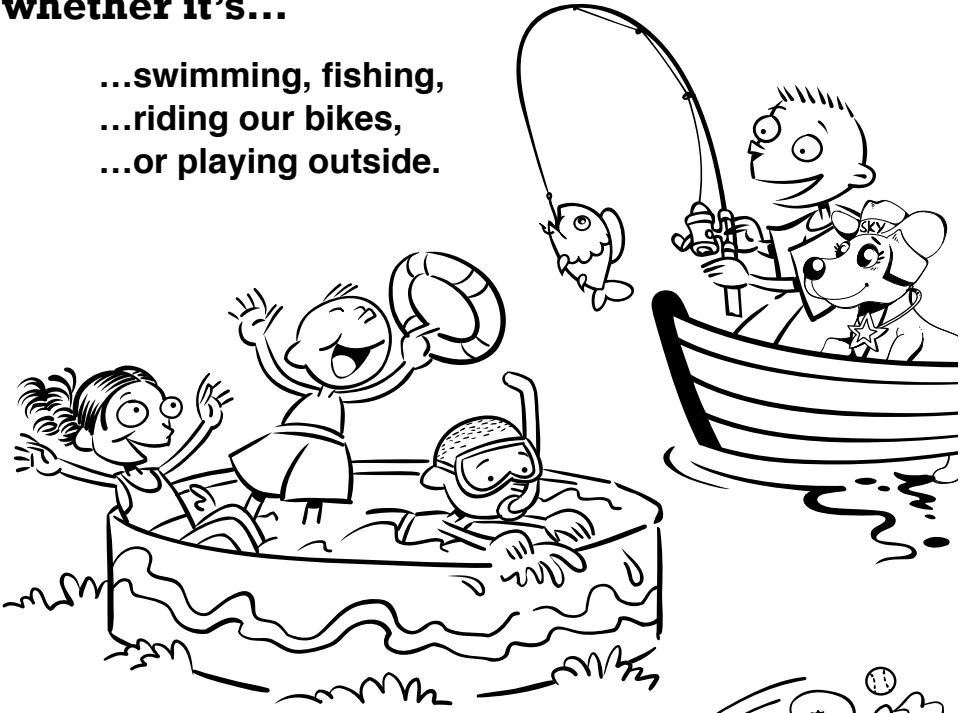
**Texas is a
BIG state.**



Activity: Match your stickers to the shadows or draw your own pictures to complete the scene.

**We all like to get outdoors
and enjoy Texas' clear air,
whether it's...**

...swimming, fishing,
...riding our bikes,
...or playing outside.



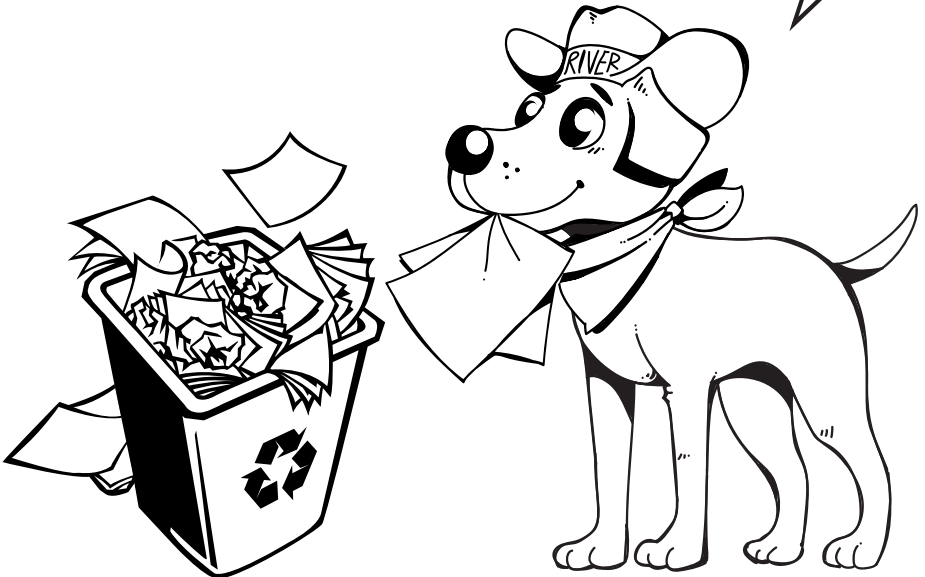
**If we want to keep enjoying Texas, we need to
make smart choices every day to Take Care of Texas!**

There are many things we can do at school to Take Care of Texas.



Don't waste paper!
Use both sides of a
piece of paper...

and recycle it when
you are done!



We also use electricity at school.

Conserve energy.
Turn off lights, TVs,
and computers when
they aren't being used.



Unplug laptops and
tablets when they are
fully charged.

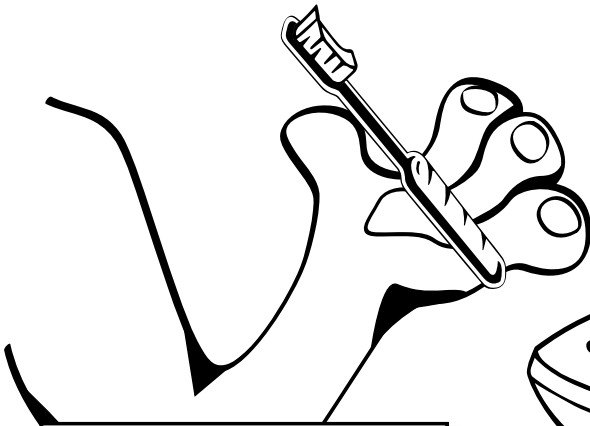
Activity:

Color any computer
that should be
turned off **BLUE**
and any that
should be left
on **GREEN**.



There are many things you can do at your home to help Take Care of Texas!

We can use less water and keep it in our lakes, rivers, and streams.



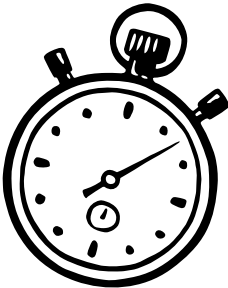
Be sure to turn off the water when you brush your teeth.



Try to take showers that only last FIVE minutes.



Activity: Make a list of other activities you can do in 5 minutes.



When you leave a room, turn off lights, TVs, or video games that you aren't using.



Activity: Help save electricity. Circle FIVE things that should be turned off when no one is using them.

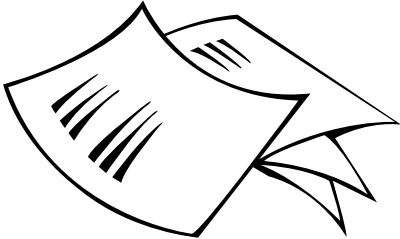


**Not everything can be recycled.
Leftovers, food wrappers, and containers
with food grease should NOT go in the
recycle bin.**

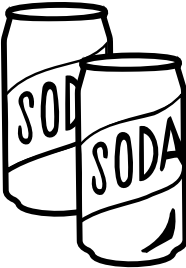
**Plastic
bottles**



Paper

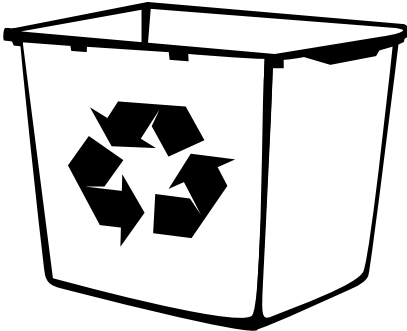
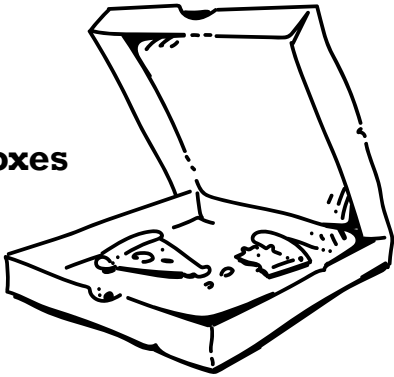


Food wrappers



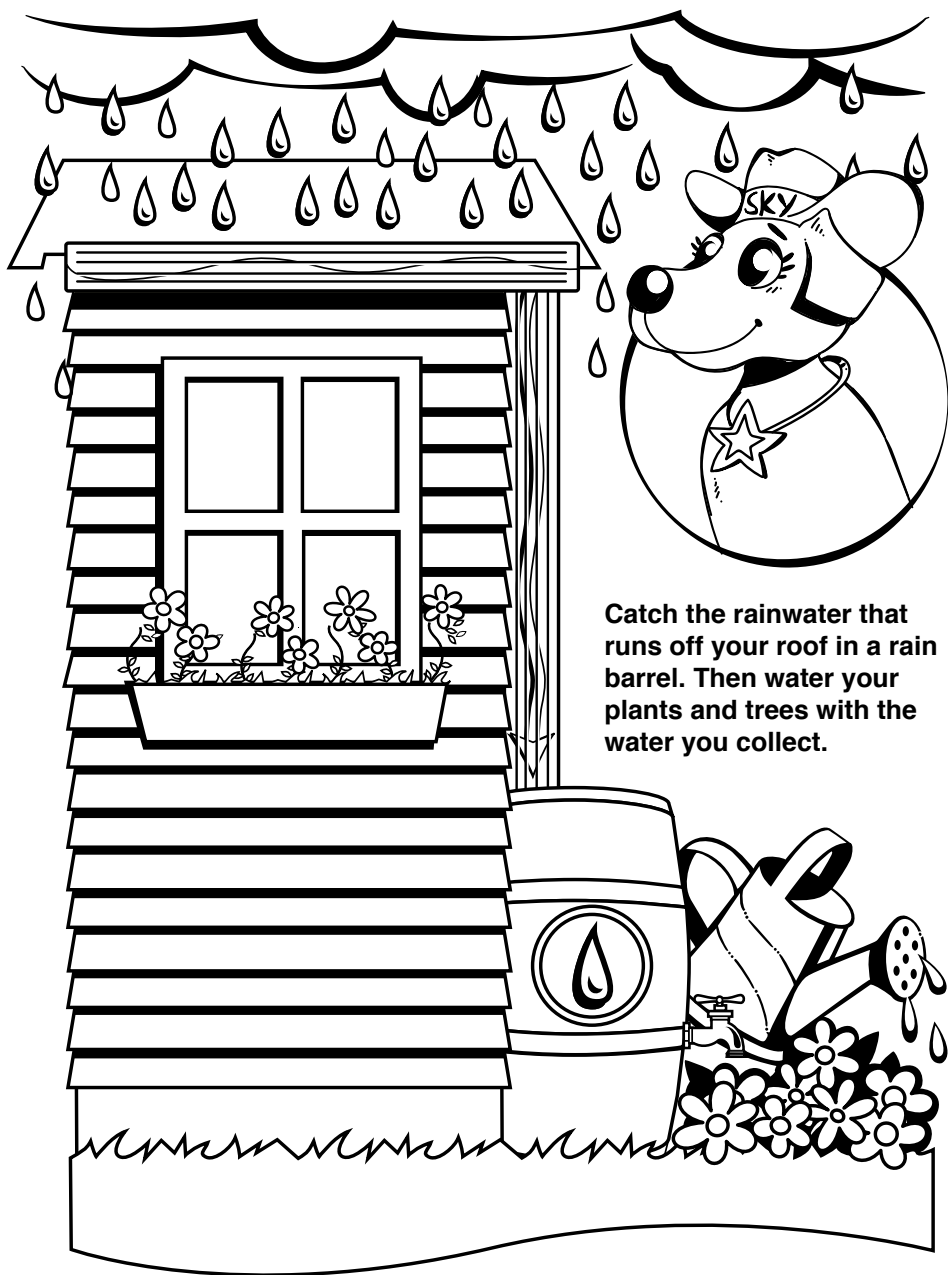
Aluminum cans

Pizza boxes



Activity: Draw a line between the recycling bin and the items that can be recycled.

You also can reuse the rain.



Catch the rainwater that runs off your roof in a rain barrel. Then water your plants and trees with the water you collect.

Start a compost pile in your yard.



Collect food scraps, like fruits and vegetables.



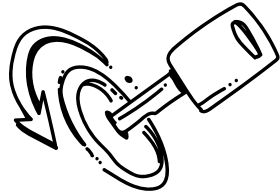
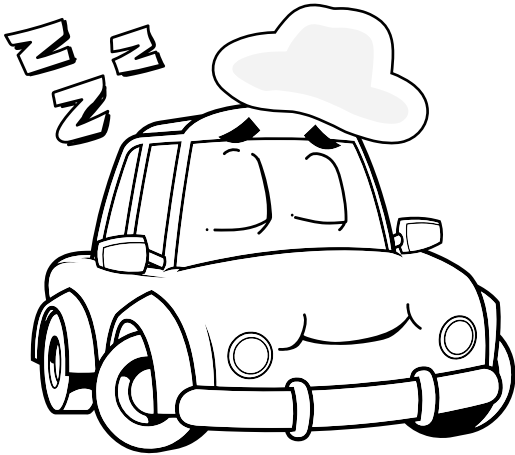
You should also add grass clippings and leaves.



These items will break down over time and can be used as mulch in your yard or garden!

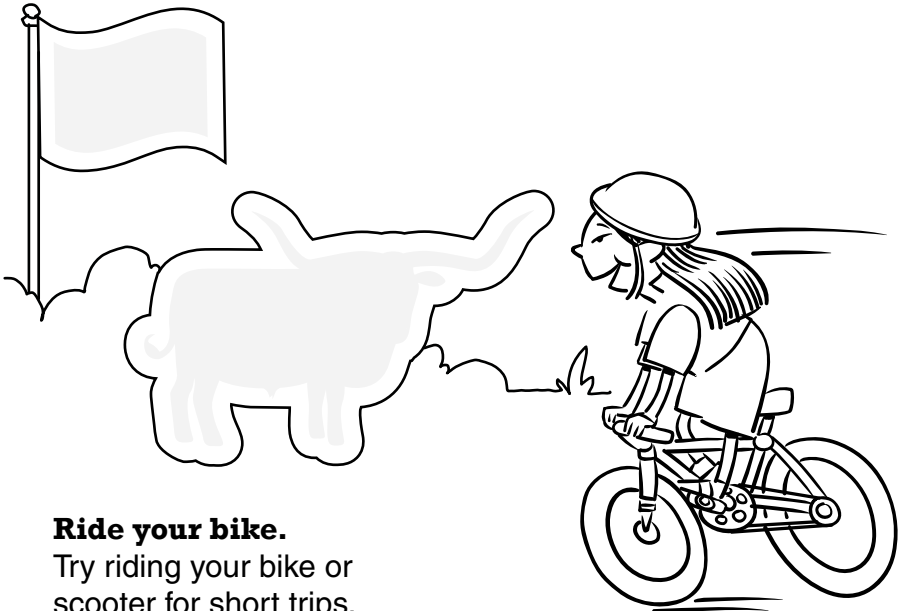
We can Take Care of Texas by keeping the air clean in our community.

By doing our part, we can all keep our communities clean and beautiful!



Don't Idle.

Instead of waiting in a running car, ask your parents turn it off and go inside.



Ride your bike.

Try riding your bike or scooter for short trips.

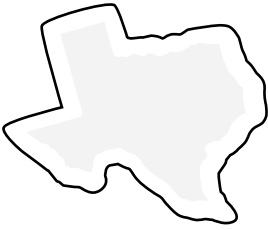
Activity: Match your stickers to the shadows or draw your own pictures to complete the scene.





Plant a Tree

Ask your family to help you plant a tree in your community.



Take a walk.

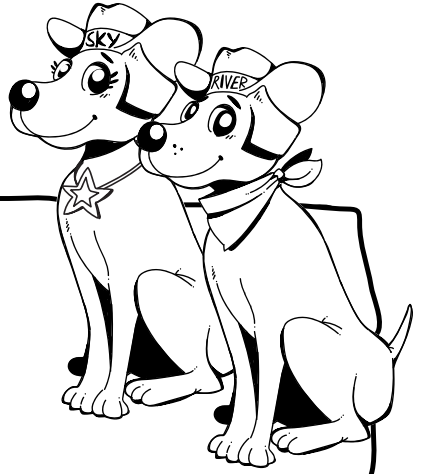
If it's a really short trip, your family can try walking. You can enjoy the clean air and get some exercise.



Activity: Match your stickers to the shadows or draw your own pictures to complete the scene.

How do you Take Care of Texas?

Activity: Use your stickers or draw a picture to show how you and your family can Take Care of Texas



**Write 3 ways you can help
Take Care of Texas.**



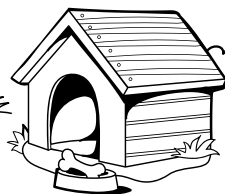
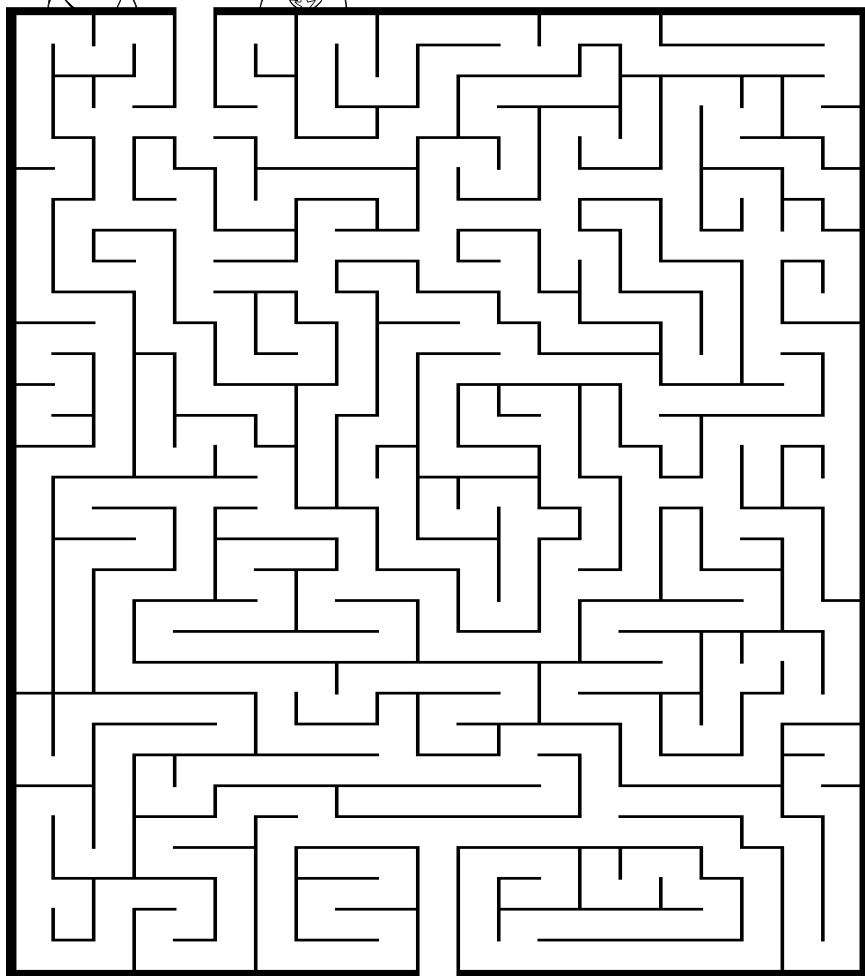
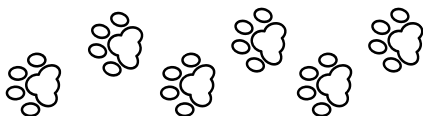
Help River and Sky find the words!

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M	U	I	K	E	L	P	N	N	C
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C	F	E	I	M	U	O	R	X	P
U	J	R	S	M	P	C	V	R	H
D	E	L	C	Y	C	E	R	M	M
E	U	X	Q	G	D	D	O	X	V
R	W	A	T	E	R	L	P	D	E

Conserve Recycle Reduce Air
Water Compost River Sky



River and Sky are tired after a long day of taking care of the environment. Help them get back to their dog houses.



Take Care of Texas ART CONTEST

Each spring, K-5 students can win prizes by entering the Take Care of Texas Art Contest!

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