

Communicating in Comics

Topic: Recycling

Get on the internet or visit your school or local library and find out whatever you can about recycling. The focus here is on aluminium, but you may also choose to research the recycling of other materials such as paper, steel or glass.

Check out the comic on the website below.

http://www.planetark.org/nrw/Recycling_Week_Comic.pdf

Some comics are a series of pictures which tell a story. The purpose of this comic is not to tell a story, but to give information and encourage people to change; that is, to recycle more.

Fold an A4 piece of paper into eight rectangles and design a series of comics which encourages people to recycle more.

There are a few things to consider:

1. Audience. Who is your comic strip for? Young kids? Adults in a staff room? Your language, layout and choice of pictures will be influenced by your target audience.
2. Placement. Where will your comic strip be seen? The local newspaper? The school newsletter? The Year One Classroom? As a screen saver given to parents? How big does your writing need to be? How much writing should there be?

Extension

Put your comic strips together to make a class book about recycling.

Western Australia Curriculum Links

English: Writing, Viewing

Society & Environment: Resources

