You remember the first TV set your uncle presented you? And, you remember the way you cried when it was discarded and the kabadiwala took it away? That beautiful TV set ended it's life as an e-waste...

E-waste is a growing problem in today's world.



Do you understand, what is e-waste?

Hey Riya!! Look at my new computer, I have thrown away the old one...



Hey, Grow up, Samir !! Do you know you've just generated some e-waste.

You should know the electronic products we use in our homes, schools and offices. These include TVs, refrigerators, computers, cell phones, digital cameras, tube lights, Mp3 players, digital Cameras etc. When these electronic products are discarded, then they become electronic waste or in short e-waste.

Hey Riya, You are right, my teacher says e-wastes are highly toxic

She says electronic devices contain toxic components like mercury, lead, cadmium, chromium and certain flame-retardants and which can create serious problems for health and environment if not handled properly. It is dangerous to inhale the polluted air or touch or drink water contaminated with these hazardous elements.



Tina's right, even my teacher says many children from poor backgrounds are illegally employed in the e-waste recycling industry in India, where they work under extreme hazardous conditions and are highly vulnerable to deadly diseases like cancer and severe damage to lungs.



Our teachers say, to save the planet we all should Reduce, Reuse and Recycle



Happy to Reduce Happy to Reuse Happy to Recycle



What should you do with your e-waste?

The only way to minimize and manage e-waste is by Reducing, Reusing and Recycling.

Reduce your generation of e-waste by good maintenance of your electronic products.

Reuse still functioning electronic equipments by donating / selling it to someone who can still use it.

Recycle those components that cannot be repaired.

Dispose your e-waste through proper channels instead of discarding it to a local kabadiwala.

What more can you do?

You can spread the message of "Reduce Reuse and Recycle"

You can organize a special e-waste collection event in your school / community.

You can switch to greener alternatives in day-to-day life.





