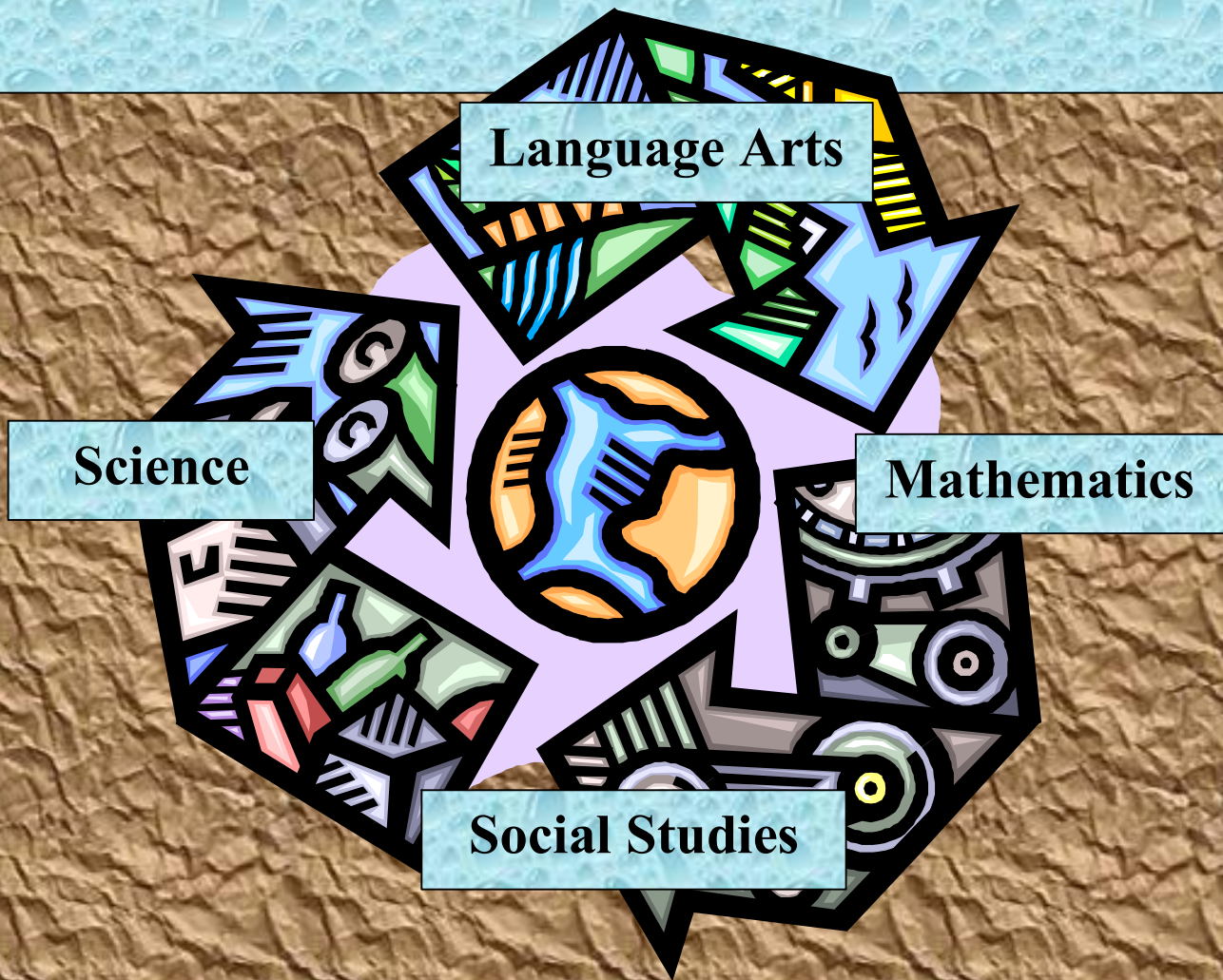


# **Garbology**

## **A Thematic Unit about Trash**

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**Garbology  
Science Activities  
Lesson 23  
Finding New Uses for Trash**

**Objective:**

Students will find new uses for trash.

**Materials:**

None needed

**Opener:**

There are many ways to reuse trash. Here are some examples: (Taken from Woman's Day - July 19, 1994).

- 1) Use small bags to line leaky snow boots.
- 2) Use plastic or Styrofoam plates from frozen entrees to carry food to parties.
- 3) Store extension cords inside empty toilet paper or paper towel tubes.
- 4) Wave berry baskets dipped in soapy water through the air - they make greater clouds of bubbles.
- 5) Turn empty 2-liter bottles into bowling pins by filling them with sand or water. (Use a basketball to knock them down.)

**Activity:**

- 1) Brainstorm for some new ideas. Look through the trash from the class or your own house to find new uses for it.
  
- 2) Create a display showing the new uses for trash or create a reuse it book.

**Closure:**

Share the book or display with the class.

