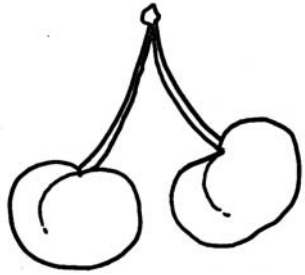
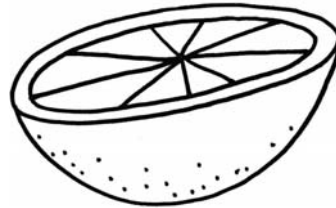
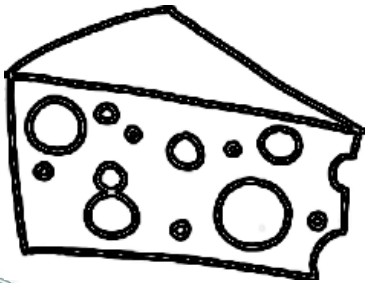
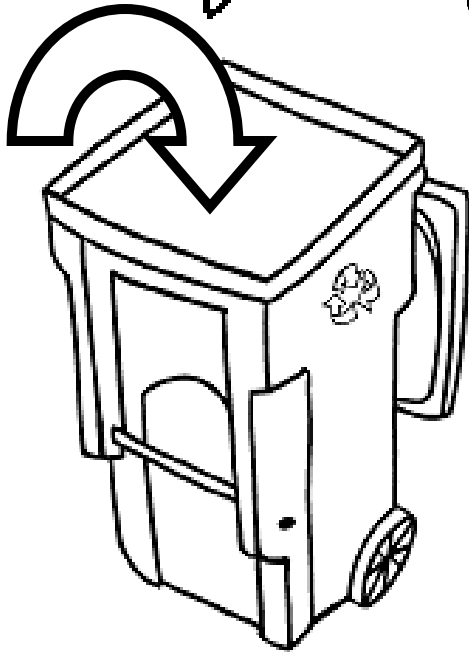
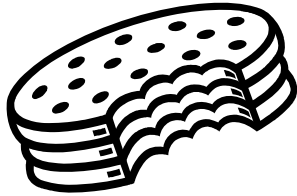
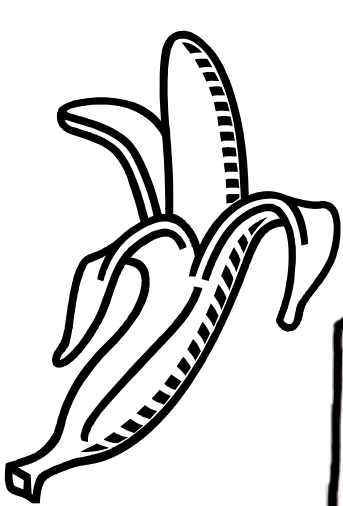


HELP PHOEBE THE PHOENIX PROTECT NATURE!



COMPOST ALL FOOD SCRAPS, MILK CARTONS
AND SOILED PAPER INTO THE GREEN BIN.



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Compost Song

Grades Pre-K to 2



To the tune of "What Shall We Do with a Drunken Sailor"

Main Verse:

What shall we do with an apple core?
What shall we do with an apple core?
What shall we do with an apple core?
That is leftover from lunchtime

We should put it into the compost bucket
Put it into the compost bucket
Put it into the compost bucket
After our lunch is over

Chorus:

Hey ho, worms will eat it
Hey ho, worms will eat it
Hey ho, worms will eat it,
And turn it into good dirt.

What shall we do with a banana peel?
What shall we do with a banana peel?
What shall we do with a banana peel?
That is leftover from lunchtime

We should put it into the compost bucket
Put it into the compost bucket
Put it into the compost bucket
After our lunch is over

Chorus:

Hey ho, worms will eat it
Hey ho, worms will eat it
Hey ho, worms will eat it,
And turn it into good dirt.

What should we do with a dirty paper
napkin?
What should we do with a dirty paper
napkin?
What should we do with a dirty paper
napkin?
That is leftover from lunchtime

We should put it into the compost bucket
Put it into the compost bucket
Put it into the compost bucket
After our lunch is over

Chorus:

Hey ho, worms will eat it
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And turn it into good dirt.

By Ayesha Ercelawn

Extensions

- Allow students to create their own verses with other items that can be composted (*Such as orange peels, sandwich crusts, or empty milk cartons.*)
- Hold up samples of each item as students are singing about it, and then put it into the compost bin. (*An apple core, banana peel, and paper napkin.*)
- After students understand the basics of composting, ask "What else besides worms will eat our leftover food scraps?" Then sing the chorus with the substituted creature. (*"Hey ho, ants will eat it..." or "Hey ho, roly-polies..."*)
- For more curriculum on composting, go to www.sfenvironment.org and click on Teacher Lounge. See *Fan 3 Sort and Color and Compost Tag*