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What if everybody threw away old bottles and newspapers, littering the world with glass and plastic and tin cans that should be recycled and made into new products? Mr. Jones is a teacher who sets a good example for kids by separating his trash for recycling. When he takes them on a class trip to a recycling plant they learn the value of recycling. Part of every child's development involves asking questions. Today, some of the most important questions kids ask are related to the natural environment. The enlightening and entertaining four-book *Why Should I?* series demonstrates the importance of protecting nature. Books present brief, entertaining stories that answer children's questions and feature amusing color illustrations on every page. A note at the back of each book is for parents and teachers, suggesting ways to use these books most effectively.

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# **From Reader Review Why Should I Recycle? for online ebook**

## **Ashley Frickson says**

Mr. Jones takes his class on a trip to the recycling play where they learn the value of recycling. Demonstrates the importance of protecting nature.

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## **Shelby says**

Why Should I Recycle is a children's book that focuses on the importance of recycling for the environment. It is a story of a little boy who learns what is recyclable and why he should recycle to make the earth cleaner. He teaches his friends to recycle and learns to make it fun!

The author used a lot of color and detail to create a dramatic setting. I think the author did this to try to emphasize the importance of recycling for the environment and how it can make the world better. The character was very enlightening, fun, and adventurous. It is quick and straight to the point which keeps the child's focus and helps them learn the most important aspects of the book. The author provided many useful tips that children can relate to their own personal lives.

This book qualifies as an informational book because it is all factual. It creates a simple way for children to understand the topic. The illustrations are creative and uses the reader's imagination to make it more relatable. It provides tips for the reader to try at home and why it will help the world. It creates awareness to the benefits of helping the environment and encourages readers to become better recyclers.

I was surprised by this book. Initially, I thought it would be a boring read but it was very high quality and interesting! I liked the way the author emphasized the importance of recycling for children so we can try to build those habits early on. This book makes it fun for children to recycle and will motivate them to recycle more often. If a child has never recycled, it gives them the incentive to start and tell their families of the benefits.

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## **Shea Perkins says**

Why Should I Recycle? is a great informational book that teaches the readers what they can recycle and why it is good for the environment. The book starts out with a couple of kids saying that they didn't always recycle until one day their teacher Mr. Jones taught them the importance of recycle and what it can do for the world around you. The main character of the book is Mr. Jones who is the one teaching his class about the importance of recycle the garbage in his students houses.

My overall thought of the book is that it is very brightly colors and very well detailed in the illustrations. I think it is a wonderful lesson that any child could learn. An opinion that i have for the book would be maybe to have thrown in a couple of "funny" options the the teacher can say is either recyclable or not. The books overall theme was a teacher teaching kids to recycle and how important it can be. The book also contained speech bubbles that were in the actually text of the book it just brought on a personal effect to the informational book.

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## **Lindsay says**

1. None
  2. K-2
  3. This narrative-type story explains the importance of recycling and preserving our environment through the tale of Mr. Jones' class trip to the recycling plant.
  4. I like this story because of the message behind it. It's important for our young children to learn about recycling and environmental preservation so that they will still have a nice place to live when they grow up. The cartoony pictures and literary nature provides an easy-reading platform for sharing big concepts like the importance of recycling.
  5. This book would be perfect for an environmental unit, especially on Earth Day. This could even (if available) provide an opportunity for a real field trip to a recycling plant to be able to see what Mr. Jones' students saw in the book.
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## **Katie Kennedy says**

This book is an informational book for children about recycling. It demonstrates the importance of protecting nature. The book is short and entertaining. A note at the back of each book is for parents and teachers, suggesting ways to use these books most effectively. Mr Jones is the classroom teacher that sets a good example for his students by recycling and showing his care and love for recycling. The little boy is worry some and does not believe in what Mr. Jones is doing. I loved how the illustrations were so bold and unique every page. I thought the way the book was written was simple yet relatable to many.

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## **Alexus Miller says**

Why Should I Recycle? by Jen Green invites children to learn about taking care of the earth in a fun way. A teacher, Mr. Jones, takes the children on a field trip to a recycling plant, and teaches the children the value of recycling and taking care of the planet. I really enjoyed this book surprisingly. Initially, I assumed that an informational book would be boring, but the book put a fun twist on educating children about an important issue that can be solved if everyone contributes.

In a way, this book had a lot of dynamic characters as all of the students in class became more educated about recycling. However, Mr. Jones basically stayed the same. The book had a closed ending, and I am assuming that most informational texts probably do as well. Furthermore, the illustrations in this book were extremely colorful and would most likely be considered a cartoon.

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## **Sarah Lloyd says**

Informational: Teaches children the importance of recycling in a kid friendly way. Also discusses what should be recycled.

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### **Jontiqua McMillan says**

Why Should I Recycle! Is a great book, for younger elementary students I would suggest this book for students for students k-2. I personally enjoyed this book about Mr. Jones who is the students teacher who leads to his students by example by separating the trash from the recycling in his classroom. Mr. Jones his students on a field trip to a recycling plant, where they learn the value of recycling. Mr. Jones students were so intrigued by their field trip. This was a WOW book for me because, i feel as though every citizen should know the importance of recycling and how this helps our environment. If you start when students are young by informing them on this information this will be a lifelong obligation. This text was my personal e-text.

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### **Rachel Hutsell says**

Genre: Informational

Grade: Early Primary

This is a great book that explains recycling in a fun way that is easy to understand. This book brings awareness of the importance of recycling to young readers. Children see both trash cans and recycling bins in their classrooms, and they should be informed about the difference! I like how the students learn all about recycling from the teacher in the book, and how he asks questions. When reading this book to a class, it could be fun for them to interact with and answer the questions that the teacher asks in the book! Overall, this is a great book that explains how and why we recycle!

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### **Amanda Hughes says**

Fun and creative way to teach children of the importance of recycling. I love that Green provides readers with read aloud and follow-up activity suggestions at the end of the book. Great book to read around earth day.

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### **Macy Hopkins says**

Genre: Informational

Grade level: 1-2

Why Should I Recycle is a really cute and reader-friendly book that teaches readers why they should recycle. The books also explains why you can recycle certain things and what recycling does for our environment. I liked this book because it was a quick read aloud for my 2nd grade students and was very informational for young students. My favorite part about this book was that at the very end, Jen Green included follow up activities and read aloud suggestions!

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## **Stella says**

It is a simple way to teach young children why we should recycle instead of having a passive lecture with the white board. Children can follow this little girl and understand why and how they should recycle.

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## **Mallory Vickers says**

I really like this book! I could see myself using this book in my future classroom. I came across this book when looking for a nonfiction book for my literature collection. I like how its informational and nonfiction but also has a story line. It also teaches a good lesson about helping save the planet and focusing on why recycling is important.

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## **Heather Gettys says**

Green, J. (2005). Why Should I Recycle? Hauppauge, NY: Barron's Educational Series.

Mr. Jones sets a good example for kids by separating his trash for recycling and when he takes them on a class trip to a recycling plant the students learn the value of recycling. There are different funny stories within this book that answer the students questions.

This is a good book to teach children the central theme of recycling. The media has an amusing color theme on each page and implements a humor into the book.

This will be a good book to use in my class on teaching students the importance of recycling.

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## **Suzie says**

Category: Informational Text

Awards: N/A

Grade Level: Pk - 2

Summary: In 'Why should i recycle?' the children's teacher Mr. Jones was recycling his garbage at his house. The children got interested and wanted to know what recycling was. He explains to them why they should recycle and takes them on a field trip to a recycling center to learn more.

Review: This is a great book to read during earth day or earth week. It teaches children the value of recycling and why we do it and what can be recycled.

Activities:

1. Have students list items in the classroom that can be recycled.
  2. Put random items in a pile on the floor and have the children sort through and pick out what gets recycled and what doesn't
  3. Have students list reasons why it is important to recycle.
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