

### WELCOME!

A healthy environment means healthy kids! This book offers fun, easy activities for you and your child that will provide healthy alternatives to everything from cleaning to eating to playing.

> So what are you waiting for? Let's get moving!

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# Get moving!

Get up, get out and move around. Take a walk in the park or explore your town. Visit a friend, but don't take the bus. Ride a bike, power walk or push the baby in a cart!

These are ways to stay healthy and reduce stress. So your mind and body will be at their best!

# Healthy Kids!



# Create Change!

Draw a line from the words below to the pictures that they describe.



· Don't Litter

· Recycle

· Volunteer

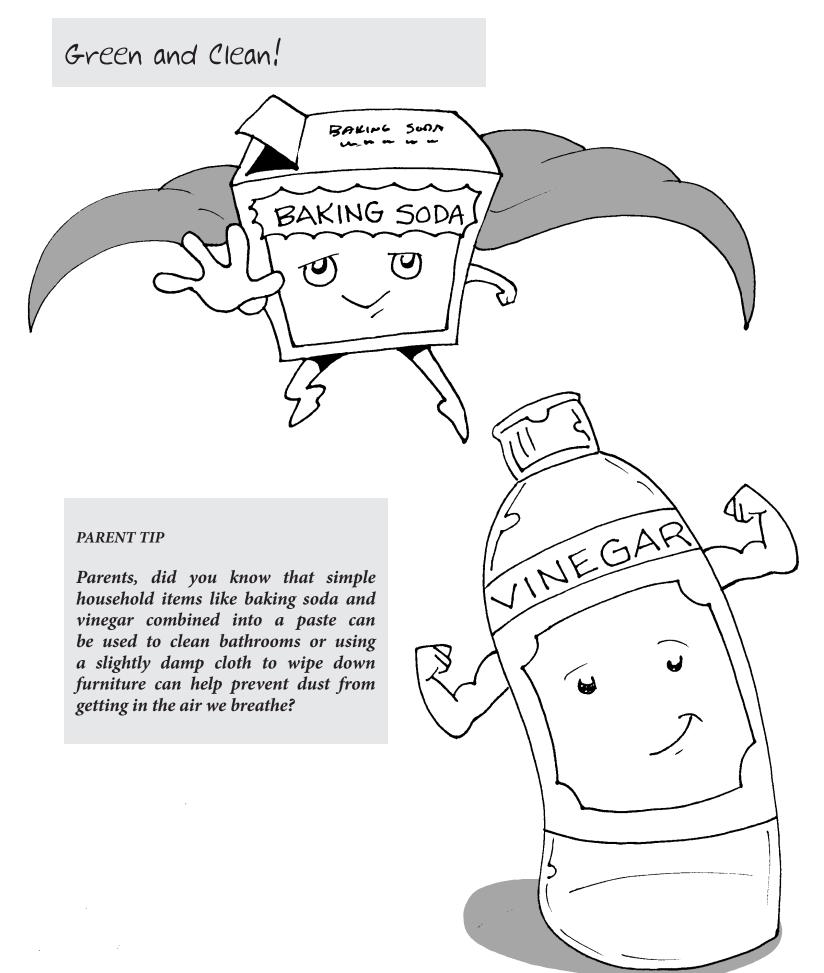






# Build a Community Garden!





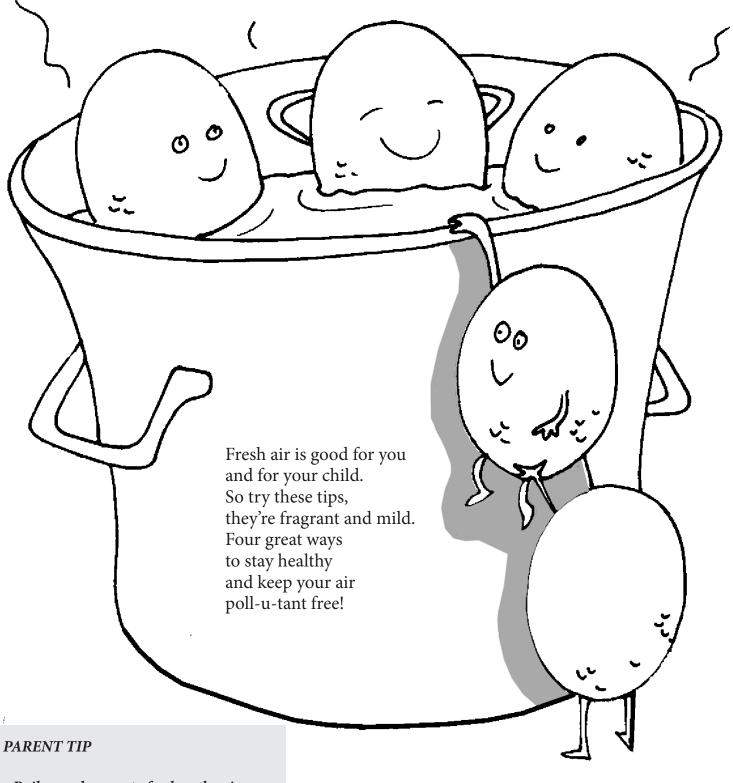
See if you can find a few of the different items you can use to safely clean your home in this fun word find puzzle.

Enjoy!

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| clean | wipe  | soap  |
|-------|-------|-------|
| green | water | lemon |

## fresh Air!



- Boil some lemons to freshen the air.
- Open a window on a cool summer day.
- Change the filter on your AC unit.
- Throw those cigarettes AWAY!

Color This Picture

# NO SMOKING

# Eat fresh!

Fruits and veggies are good for you, so at every meal, you should eat a few. Beans and nuts are good for your heart. They'll help you grow big and strong and smart!

| Parents, help your<br>child unscramble<br>these delicious words!     | LAPPE  | 2   |
|--|--|---|
| Copy the letters in<br>the spaces above the<br>numbers to the spaces | LUPM   |   |
| at the bottom with the same numbers.                                 | TUSN   |   |
| FR.3.  | FUITR  |   |
|  | RONC   | $\frac{4}{$   |
|  | BASNE  | $\frac{5}{6} - \frac{7}{7}$                         |
|  | SAEP   | $-\frac{0}{1}$                                      |
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## Make Your Own Fruit Salad

This is a simple fruit salad with fresh berries, mango, banana, and orange. Add yogurt and honey for extra flavor.

Ingredients:

1 small orange, peeled and diced

1/2 mango, diced

1/2 cup fresh blueberries

1/2 cup fresh strawberries, sliced

1/2 cup fresh raspberries

1/2 small banana, sliced

2 tablespoons plain yogurt

1 tablespoon honey (optional)

### **Directions:**

 Get your child involved by allowing them to break the banana into small pieces with their hands, peel the orange and scoop in the other fruit and yogurt.
Toss orange, mango, blueberries, strawberries, raspberries, and banana in a large bowl. Stir yogurt and honey into the mixture to coat evenly. Stir to serve.

### PARENT TIP

Studies show that the more often families eat together, the less likely kids are to smoke, drink, do drugs, get depressed, develop eating disorders or suffer from other emotional and social disorders. Instead, they are more likely to do well in school, eat healthier meals, maintain a healthy weight, communicate more with you and experience less stress and tension.

# Toxic free Shopping Choices

Parents, do you get confused about which plastics are safe and which ones are harmful? Ever wish there was an easy way to remember? Well now there is; before buying that plastic container, check the bottom for one of these numbers and follow this rule of thumb:

1 and 2 are less harmful to some, but number 3 is BAD for everyone! 4 and 5 are pretty okay, but 6 and 7 – STAY AWAY!





The Columbia Center for Children's Environmental Health strives to create a world in which every child has a healthy start. Grounding our work in extensive research and close partnerships with community organizations, we are ambassadors of preventive measures to protect children from environmental threats.

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