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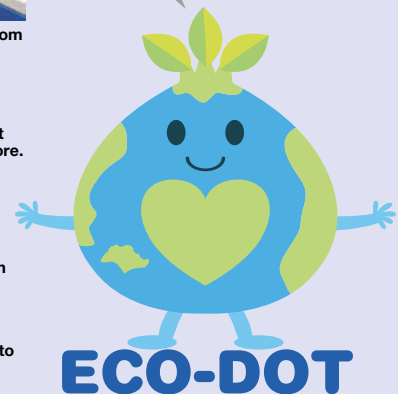


Top: A team of researchers from Nanyang Technological University and Finland found that when used at least 50 times, a reusable plastic bag made of polypropylene non-woven plastic is the most eco-friendly option in Singapore. The members of the NTU research team are (from left) Assistant Professor Grzegorz Lisak, Dr Andrei Veksha, and Mr Ashiq Ahamed.
Left: Volunteers at a beach cleanup at East Coast Park on July 31. Marine trash is often washed onto Singapore's shores by the tide during the south-west monsoon season, which takes place from June to September every year. ST FILE PHOTOS

Learning outcomes

This lesson activity has been designed to let you practise the following:
◆ Grammar (LO3) – Apply knowledge of grammatical rules at sentence level.
◆ Vocabulary (LO2) – Demonstrate a rich vocabulary that supports the development of listening, reading, viewing, speaking, writing and representing skills.

Even as we try to be more eco-friendly in our everyday lives, we should not jump at the chance to buy new products for the sake of being sustainable. Instead, let's look around our houses first and see if there's anything we can reuse.



Rewrite these facts about reusable plastic bags using the words given.

1. Being an eco-friendly shopper in Singapore means opting for and using a reusable plastic bag many times. One should not use a cotton one, a new study has found.

_____ instead of _____.

2. Researchers have noted that plastic grocery bags are one of the most common single-use packaging products. Researchers have noted that other options have been gaining traction.

_____ while _____.

3. Single-use paper bags are the most environmentally damaging, with 81 times the global warming potential. Paper bag production involves generation of liquid waste, noted the authors of the study.

Because _____.

Adapted from "Reusable plastic bags most eco-friendly option in Singapore" by Audrey Tan and Cheryl Tan, ST, Oct 17, 2020