

Costumes and Decor



Take-home challenge!

Overview

Design and create a costume or celebration decor using reused or recycled materials. Share your creation and reflect on how creativity can reduce waste and make celebrations more sustainable.

Learning outcomes

- Identify creative ways to reduce waste during celebrations.
- Design and create using reused or recycled materials.
- Reflect on the role of creativity and sustainability in personal expression.

Proof to submit

- Sample photos, videos* or drawings of student costumes and/or decor
- Student reflection samples

Curriculum Connections

- Arts Education: Design, visual arts, creative expression
- Science: Materials, reuse, waste reduction
- Social Studies: Celebrations, communities, cultural expression
- Technology & Design: Design thinking, planning, creating

Materials

- Reused or recycled materials from home
- Basic craft supplies

Activity

Grades K to 6

Students design and make a costume or decoration using reused or recycled materials (e.g., for Halloween, a birthday, or a school event), with support from home if needed. They bring in or draw their creation and share how they made it.

Grades 7 to 12

Students create a costume or decoration from reused or recycled materials (e.g., for Halloween, a birthday, or a school event). They bring in their creation and reflect on the process, its challenges, and how creativity and planning can reduce waste in celebrations.

Accessibility: Students who cannot physically make a costume or decoration may draw, digitally design or otherwise plan a design and explain how they would create it using reused materials.

**Important: Please ensure that any videos submitted as proof do not include student names or clearly identifiable faces.*