

KEEP LOS GATOS

Beautiful Month



AN ACTIVITY BOOK CELEBRATING
SUSTAINABILITY IN LOS GATOS!

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Keep Los Gatos Beautiful Month

SPRING Events

4/4 Navigating Climate Anxiety

Join us at 5:00PM for a talk on How to Keep Your Cool on a Warming Planet with Dr. Sarah Jaquette Ray, author of A Field Guide to Climate Anxiety. She will discuss the social movement theory, environmental justice, climate psychology, and mindfulness to outline strategies for engaging emotions in service of climate justice. Click [here](#) to learn more.

4/5 Danger Vectors: Local Pests & Wildlife

Join us at 4:00PM for an educational event with an expert about vectors such as rodents, mosquitoes, ticks, coyotes, and other local wildlife here in Los Gatos! Learn about unique issues with our local pests, and the services that Santa Clara County Vector Control provides to keep us all safe! Click [here](#) to learn more!

4/6 Insect Discovery Lab: Explore the Fantastic Lives of Insects

Join us at 4:00PM and explore the fantastic lives of beetles, millipedes, tarantulas, walking sticks, whip scorpions and more! Grades K-5 only. Click [here](#) to register.

4/23 Spring Into Green

Join the Town of Los Gatos on April 23rd from 10:00AM to 1:00PM at Town Plaza to celebrate Keep Los Gatos Beautiful Month, environmental sustainability, and Earth Day! Festivities include environmentally focused exhibitor booths, a tree planting ceremony, live music, family-friendly activities, and more! Click [here](#) for more details.

Full Calendar of Events
on the next page!

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Sustainable Spring

5 Tips for a Greener Spring

- **Shop Local!** Enjoy the spring breeze, stop for lunch, and shop the unique array of businesses as you stroll through beautiful downtown Los Gatos. Don't miss the weekly Farmers' Market, taking place every Sunday at Town Plaza from 9:00AM to 1:00PM.
- **Green Gardening.** Practice *Integrated Pest Management (IPM)* techniques in your garden this spring to attract beneficial pests and use less pesticides. For more information visit [click here](#).
- **Get Outside!** Take advantage of the beautiful Spring weather on the trail or at Town parks! Opt to use alternative transportation when feasible and utilize the Town's trail system. Click [here](#) for a map.
- **Spring Cleaning.** When spring cleaning, opt for non-toxic cleaning solutions, use old clothes or fabric as rags versus creating paper waste, and donate, sell, or give away items you no longer use to reduce waste.
- **Temperature Control.** Reduce your energy consumption by closing windows and blinds and adjusting your thermostat when you're not at home. Choose an energy-efficient air conditioner and heater and make sure your house is well insulated to help maintain the temperature.



Join us at Spring Into Green!

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April Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 GOING NATIVE GARDEN TOUR South Bay 10:00AM - 4:00PM
2 FARMERS' MARKET Town Plaza Park Every Sunday 9:00AM - 1:00PM	3	4 SUSTAINABILITY SPEAKER SERIES: NAVIGATING CLIMATE ANXIETY Los Gatos Library 5:00PM - 6:00PM	5 DANGEROUS VECTORS: LOCAL PESTS & WILDLIFE EDUCATION Los Gatos Library 4:00PM - 5:00PM	6 INSECT DISCOVERY LAB: EXPLORE THE FANTASTIC LIVES OF INSECTS Los Gatos Library 4:00PM - 5:00PM	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 APHIDS, SCALES, MEALBUGS, OH MY! Zoom 12:00PM - 1:00PM	21	22
23 SPRING INTO GREEN Town Plaza Park 10:00AM - 1:00PM	24	25 NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK: RECYCLED BOOK WREATH Los Gatos Library 4:30PM - 5:30PM	26	27	28	29
30 SAVING ANIMALS FACING EXTINCTION W/ LINDA LANZL Los Gatos Library 1:00PM - 2:00PM						

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Growing Greener



Let's Grow Greener Together...

Visit the Town's Growing Greener Page to Learn more!

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Los Gatos Library



Checkout the Naturalist Knapsack at the Los Gatos Library for your next adventure!

SUSTAINABILITY SPEAKER SERIES



Pick up a Coastal Cleanup Kit and do your part to help keep Los Gatos beautiful!

To Learn More Visit:

LOS GATOS PUBLIC LIBRARY

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HOME ENERGY SAVING TOOLKIT
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West Valley Clean Water

THE WEST VALLEY CLEAN WATER AUTHORITY (WVCWA) SERVES AS THE STORMWATER POLLUTION PREVENTION AUTHORITY FOR THE CITIES OF CAMPBELL, MONTE SERENO, SARATOGA AND THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS.



Click the video above to learn about Polly the Polluter and how you can reduce pollution!



Learn more about WVCWA's FREE program, Earth Smart Actions, and learn how to take action against pollution. Click the image above to learn more!

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Let's Get Social!
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Organics Recycling

AS OF JANUARY 1, 2022, ALL RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES ARE REQUIRED TO DIVERT ORGANICS FROM THE LANDFILL BY DISCARDING FOOD SCRAPS INTO THE GREEN COMPOSTABLES BIN.

Monitoring & Enforcement

SB 1383 requires not only Organics Recycling for both Residential and Commercial customers, but also requires monitoring and enforcement. Monitoring will consist of lid flipping of randomized solid waste customers. Enforcement will include education to customers and may be subject to fines for continued non-compliance.



Visit the [West Valley Collection & Recycling](#), the Town's solid waste hauler, to learn more about SB 1383, waste collection requirements, and more.

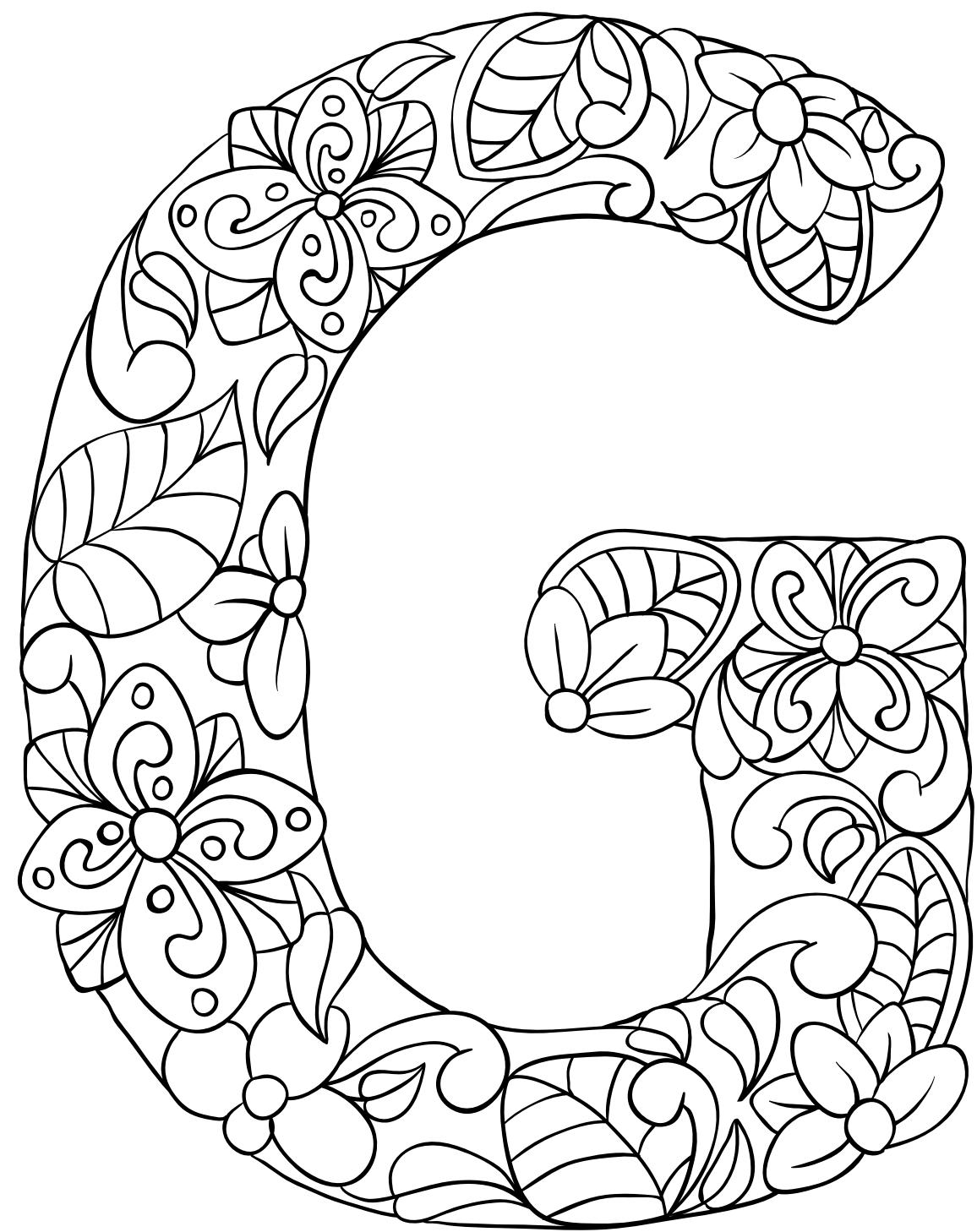
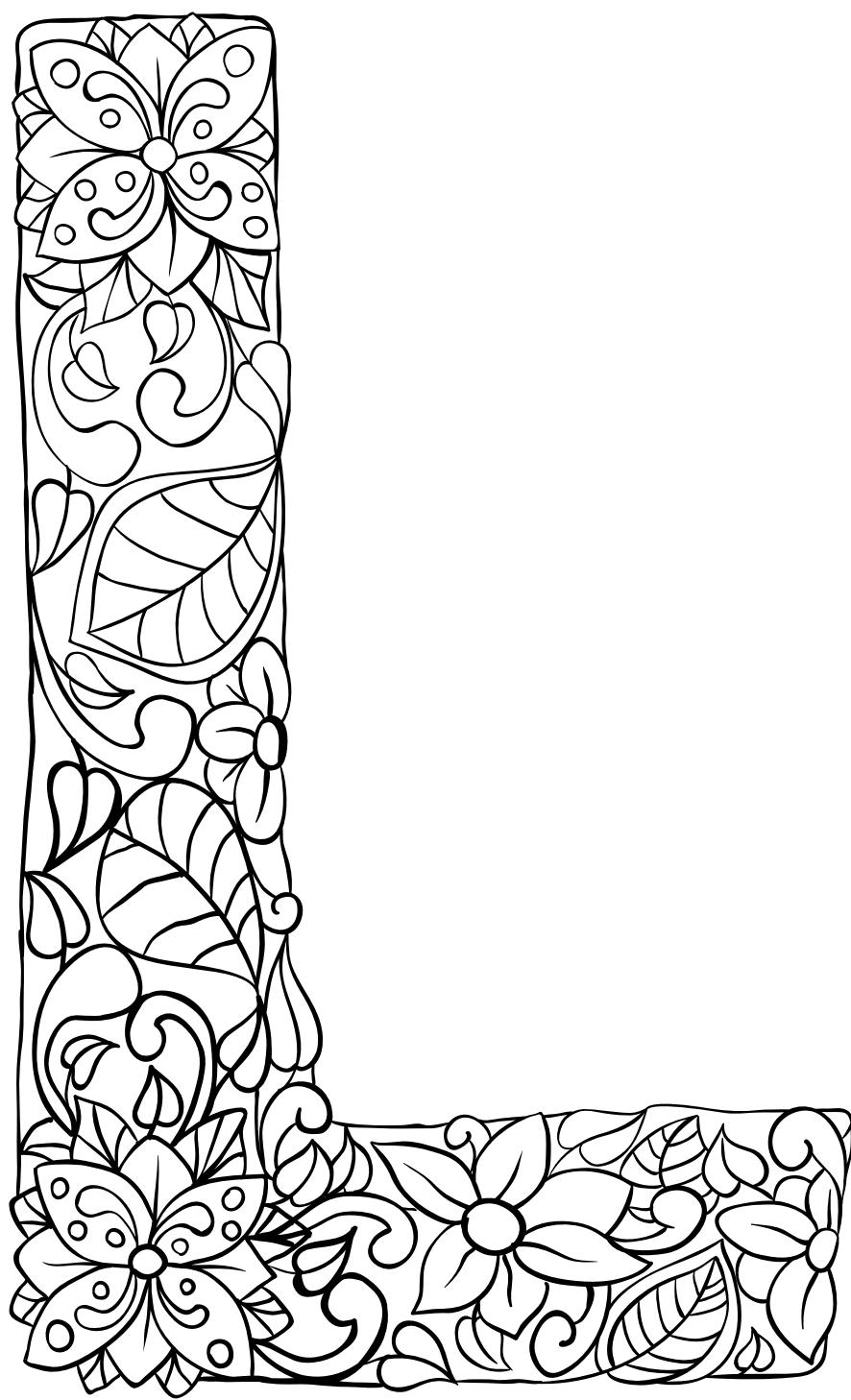
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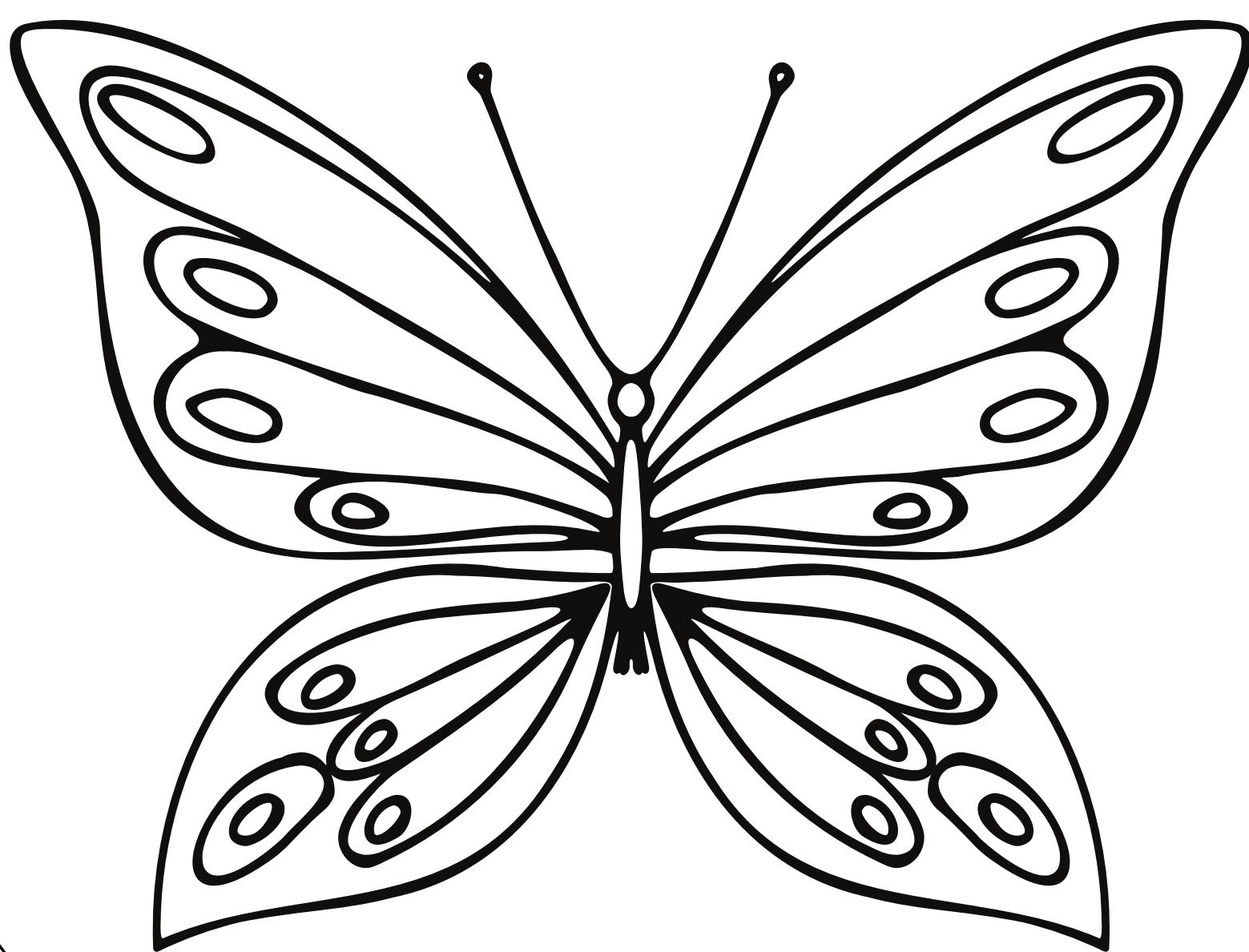
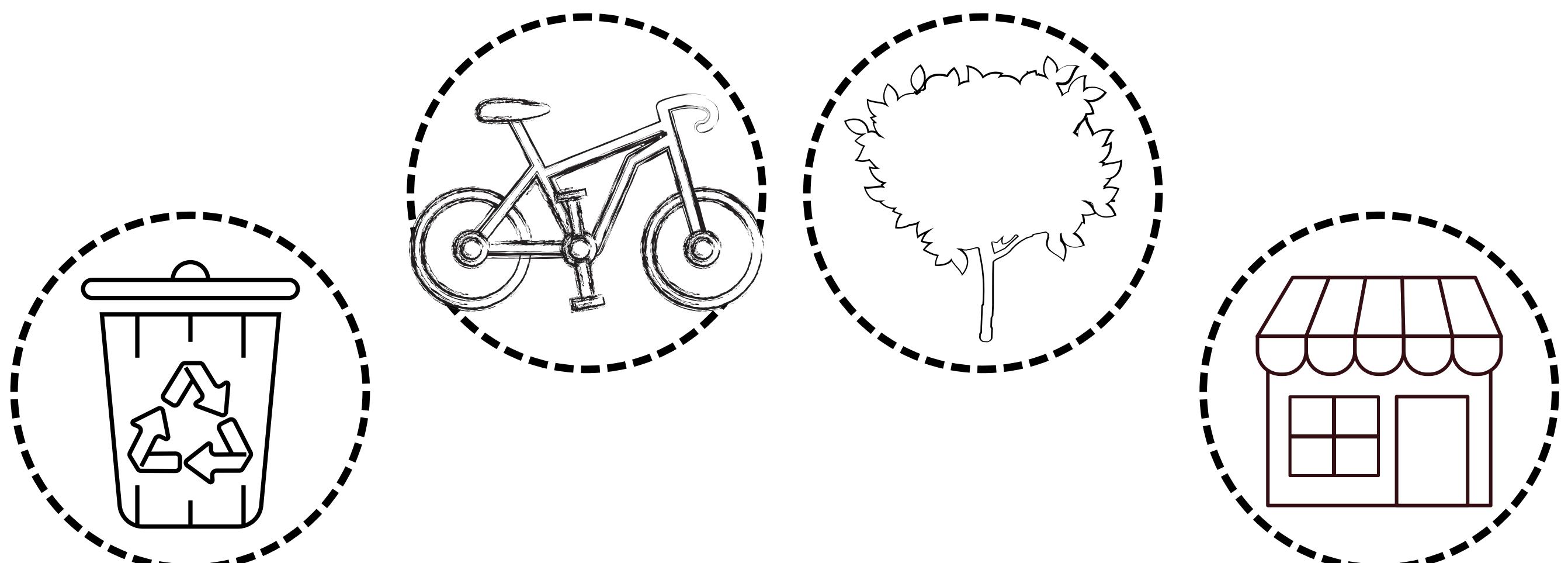
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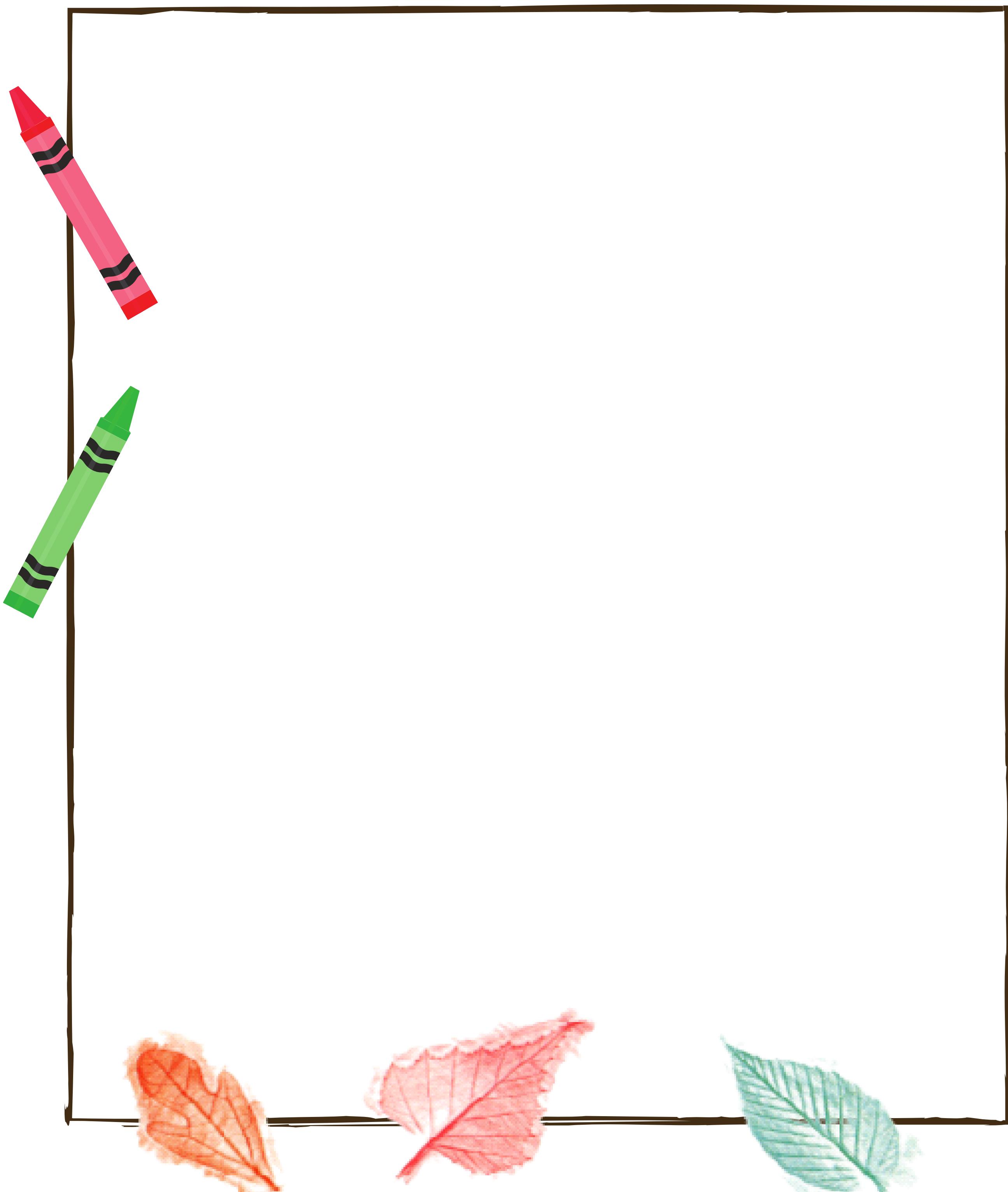
EARTH DAY 2023

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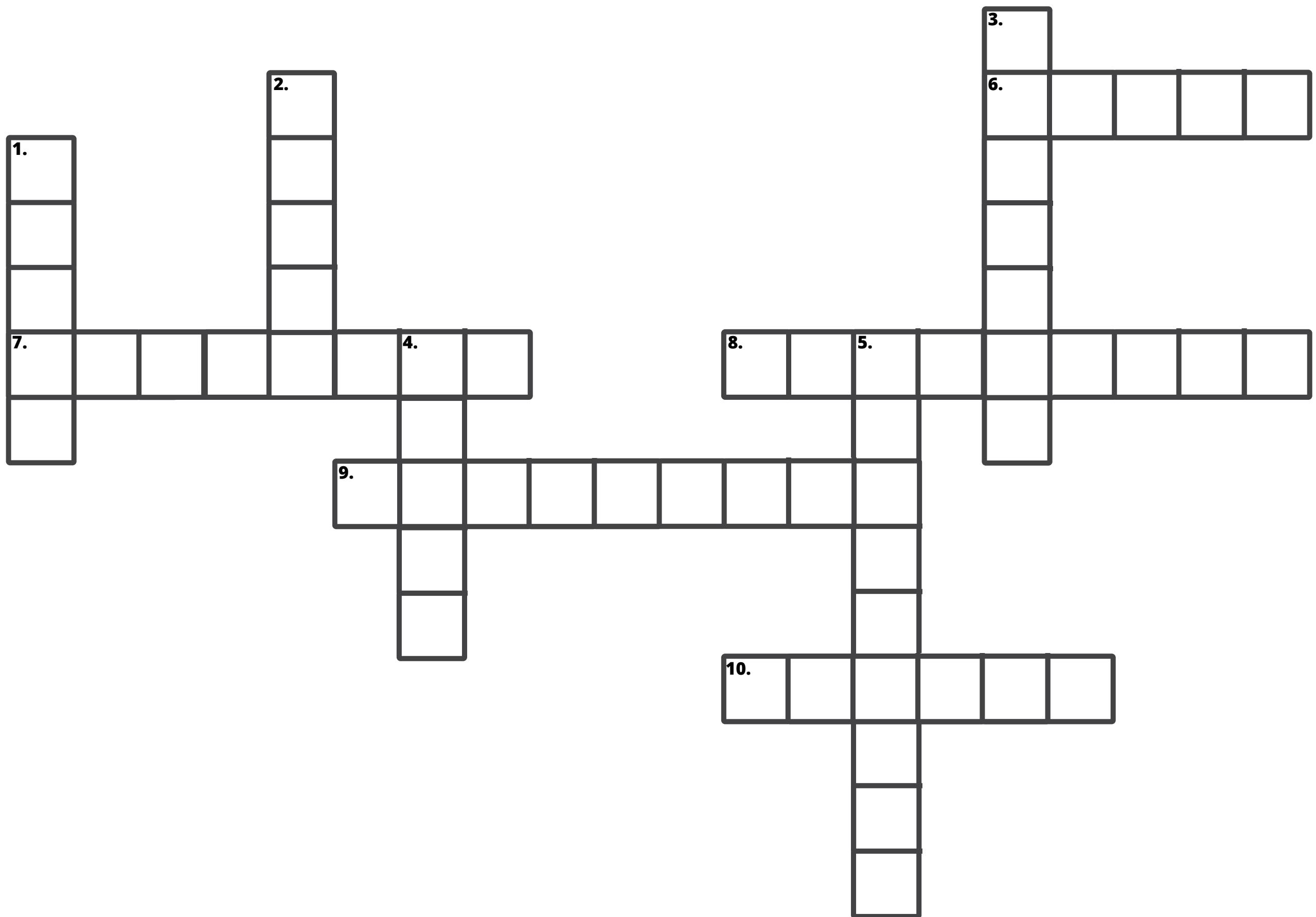
Leaf Rubbing

- 1.) Collect different types of leaves. Avoid dry or crumbling leaves.
- 2.) Put the leaves on a clipboard or hard surface.
- 3.) Place this worksheet over the top of your leaves, lining them up with the open white space below.
- 4.) Remove the paper from the crayon(s) you want to use and use the sides of the crayons to rub gently over your paper and leaves.
- 5.) Watch the outlines and vein lines of your leaves appear on your paper!



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Crossword



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- 1.) _____ Day is an observed holiday to celebrate and encourage the planting of trees.
- 2.) Spring Into _____ is a Town event celebrating Earth Day, Arbor Day, Keep Los Gatos Beautiful Month, and sustainability in Los Gatos!
- 3.) An environmental _____ is someone who practices responsible use and protection of our natural environmental through conservation and sustainability practices.
- 4.) The Los Gatos _____ is rich in biodiversity.
- 5.) A _____ is someone who donates their time to service the community.

ACROSS

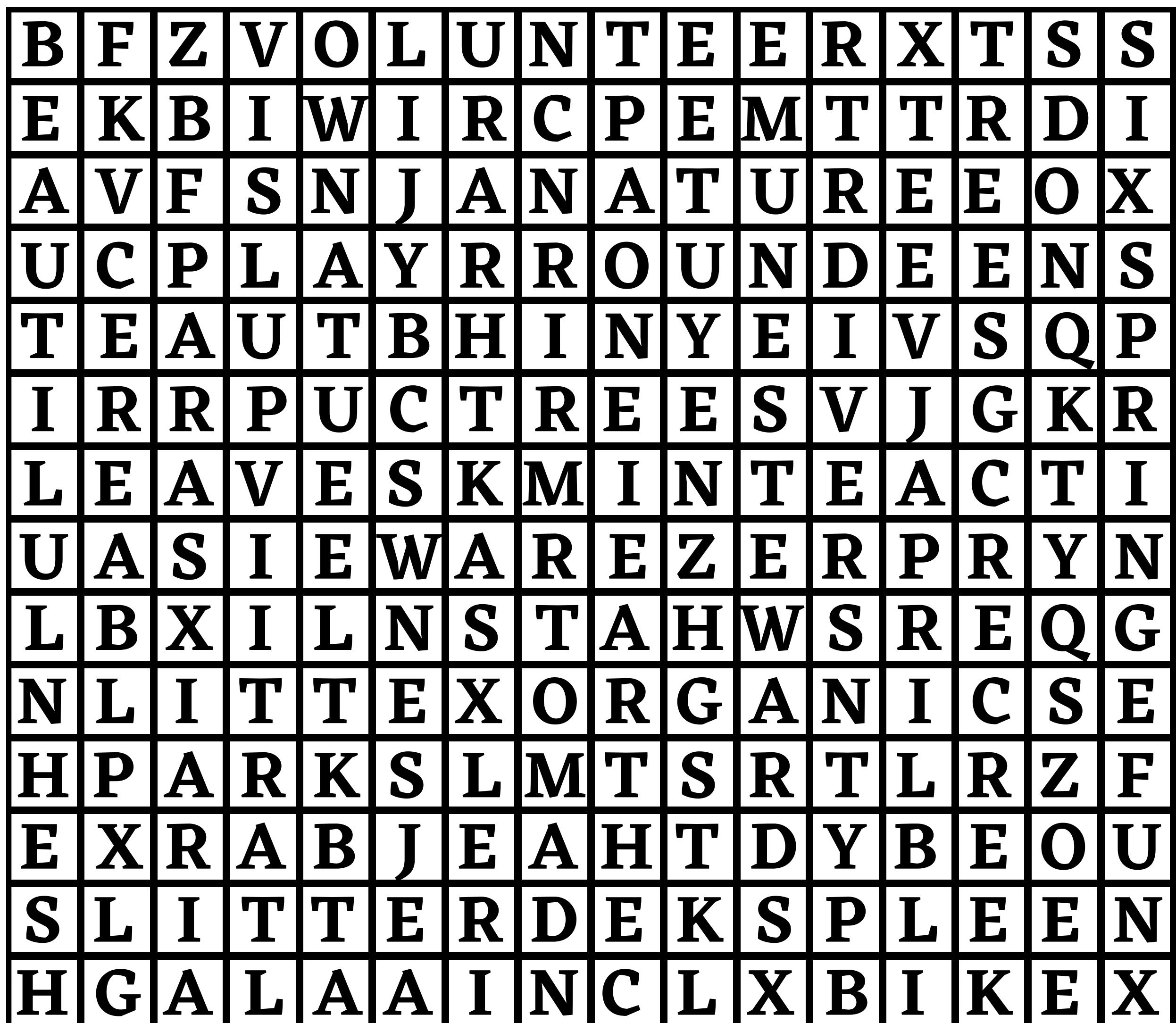
- 6.) Take a bike ride on the Los Gatos Creek _____.
- 7.) SB 1383 requires all residents and businesses to dispose of _____ in the green waste bin.
- 8.) _____ is the practice or quality of including and involving people including, but not limited to different social and ethnic backgrounds and of different genders and sexual orientations.
- 9.) April is Keep Los Gatos _____ Month!
- 10.) _____ can enter the storm drain and pollute our local creeks and the San Francisco Bay without treatment, harming the aquatic ecosystem.

Answers on the last page of this Activity Book



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Word Search



Organics
Play
Earth
Creek

Trail
Steward
Parks
Trail

Litter
Spring
Volunteer
Bike

April
Fun
Leaves
Nature

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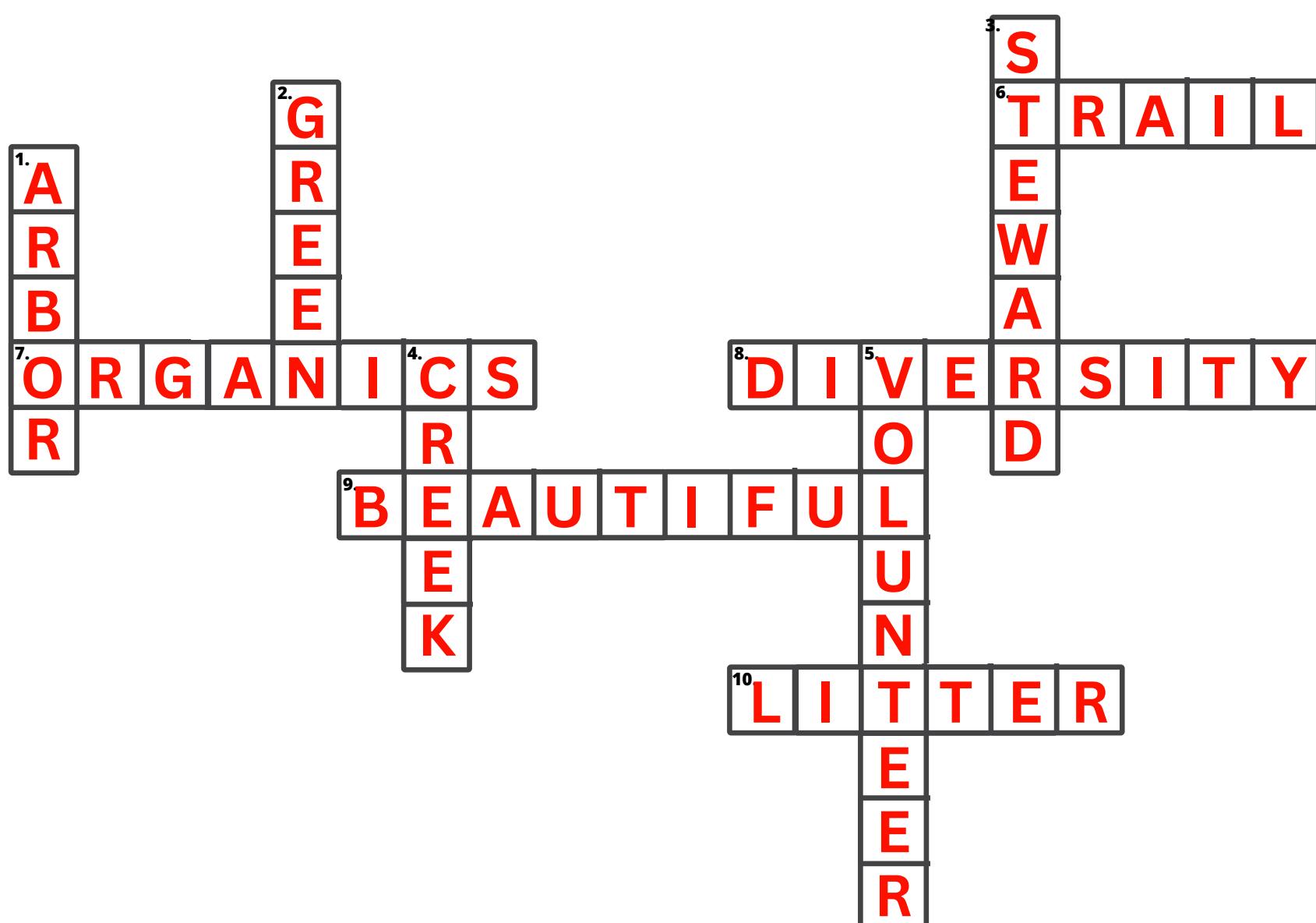


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Activity Answers



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