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Goodies



Good earth

What a
bountiful
harvest!



Editor's Note

Hi! Rose tells me she gets many letters from big sisters who fight with their younger siblings. This happens in most families when kids are young. My brothers and I used to fight like cats and dogs over small things like which programme to watch on TV. When you get older, you laugh at how silly you once were. You also remember the many times you played together, laughed a lot and helped each other. Also, you need to understand the younger sibling feels left out because he or she is the youngest and so is looking for attention. So if they are naughty do not take it personally. Turn to G05 to read a story about a sister and brother who fight a lot.



Simon

THE soil is a vital part of Earth. Good soil can help farmers produce nutritious food to feed and sustain us. Today is World Soil Day. Let us find out why this special day is very important.



Patrick



EVERYTHING on Earth is inter-connected. When we cut trees to make paper, air pollution will worsen. That is because the leaves of trees and plants **absorb** carbon dioxide in the air to make food for themselves in a process called photosynthesis. In return the trees and plants release oxygen which we need to breathe.

What is soil?

The soil is Earth's top layer. You will be surprised to know that it contains water and air. Here is the breakdown:

45% mineral

25% water

25% air

5% organic matter



Source of food

The **theme** of World Soil Day 2016 is 'Soils and pulses, a **symbiosis** for life'. Pulses are the edible seeds of crops such as lentils, beans and peas. People in developing countries depend on **pulses** for a great deal of their protein. World Soil Day is aimed at reminding people that we must treat the soil well so that farmers can continue to harvest pulses and other crops.

What you can do

To help sustain soil, recycle and reuse materials. For instance, **convert** your used soft drink cans to flower pots. This way less waste will go to landfills. Always use both sides of a sheet of paper so that fewer trees are cut down.



A special day

In 2002, the International Union of Soil Sciences proposed that a day be reserved each year to raise **awareness** of one of Earth's greatest resources. Three years ago the United Nations General Assembly decided to declare 5 December as World Soil Day.

Let's pitch in and protect our soil!



Reference

World Soil Day 5 December
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Fun facts

1. The soil is responsible for 95 percent of our food.
2. The soil hosts a quarter of the planet's biodiversity.



Circle the drink which is made with chemicals



Milk



Tea



Coffee



Cola

Answer on G12

