From Plastic Bags to Eco-Wallets

Imagine you're at the checkout with a full cart—fruits, cereal, cleaning supplies. The cashier starts packing them into 10 plastic bags. You're in a hurry.

What do you do?



What happens AFTER your trash can?

Where do you think this plastic bag will end up in the future?



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By 2050, ocean plastic could OUTWEIGH fish.

knowing this damage,

Do you think you will change your mind about the supermarket situation?



Other options..



If plastic bags STILL enter your home?

Is throwing them away the only option?

Trash into Treasure!



Step(1): Cut different colors of plastic bags



Step(2): Put them inside a heat press



Step(3): Cut the plastic sheet using the wallet template



Step(4): Sew the wallet together and add the flap!



Final Wallet! YAY!





Reflection:

Plastic bags are just one pollutant. What other single-use items (bottles, wrappers) could we tackle with similar making projects?

Reflection:

How did melting/sewing plastic shift your view of 'trash'? Could this method work for other plastics (e.g., packaging, broken toys)?

Reflection:

What is one realistic step you can take this week to reduce your plastic consumption? What might make it difficult?

Thank you!

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