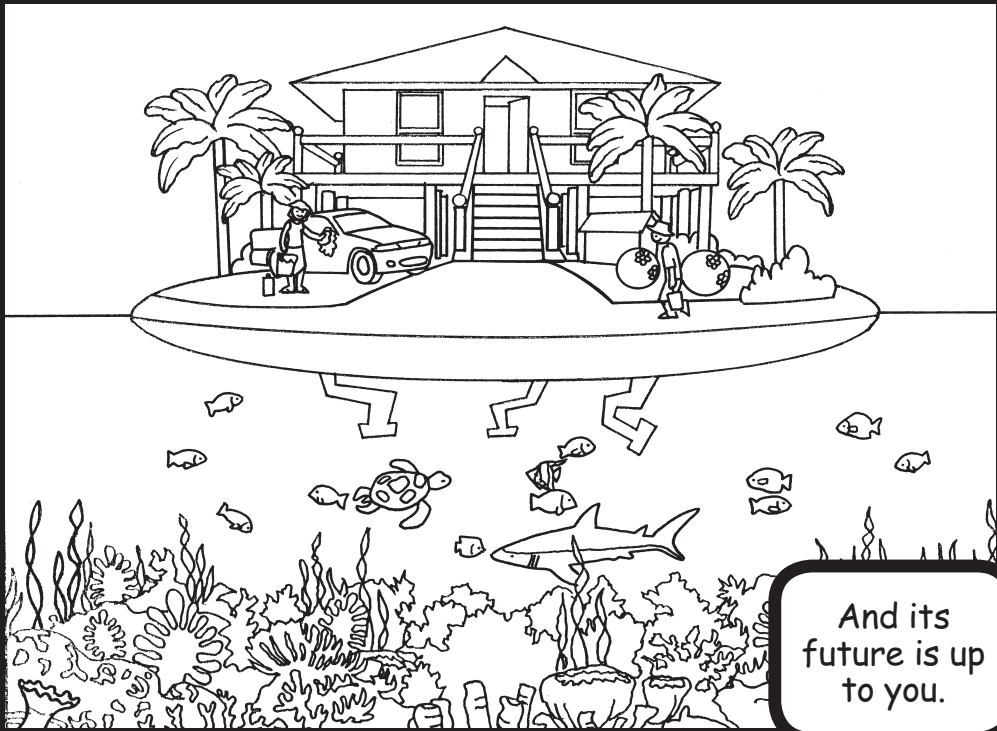
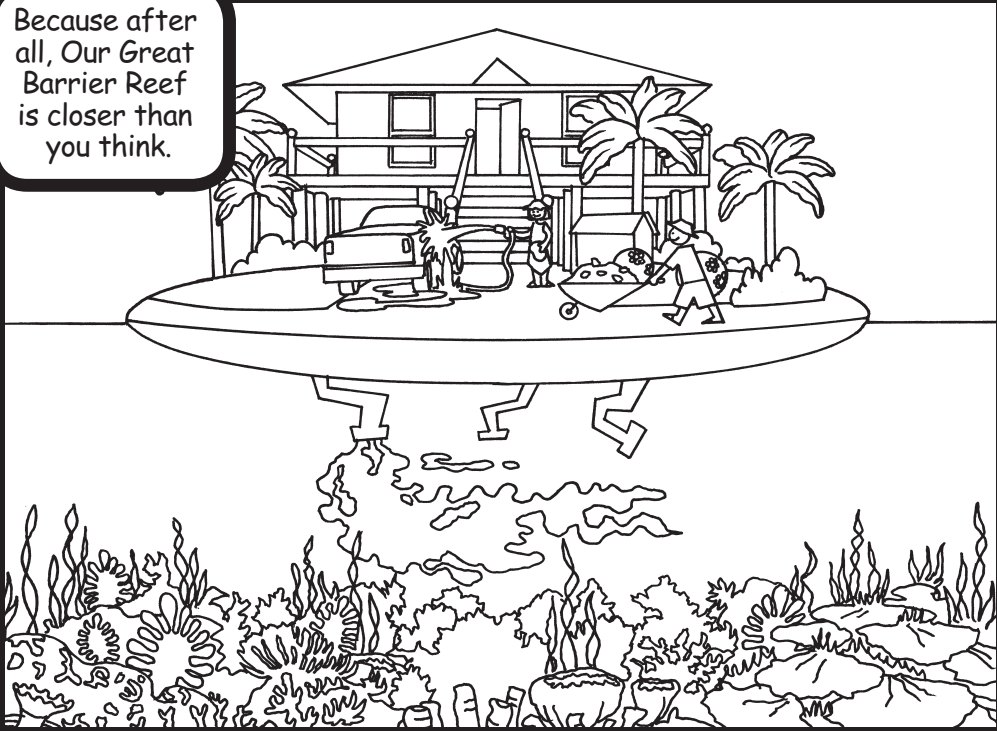


Because after all, Our Great Barrier Reef is closer than you think.



And its future is up to you.

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# THE REEF IS CLOSER THAN YOU THINK

DO YOUR BIT TO KEEP IT COLOURFUL!

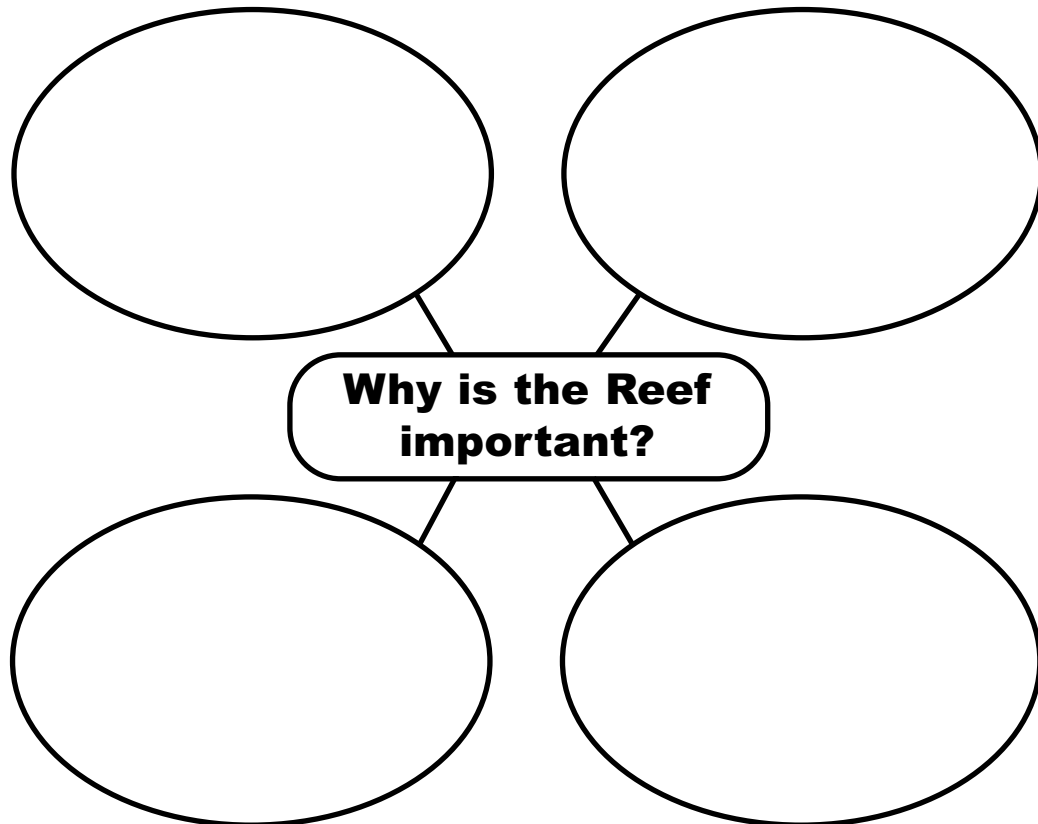


Here in Queensland we are proud of our Great Barrier Reef, but sometimes we forget that what runs off our gardens or goes down our sinks and drains can end up harming the Reef.

You can do your bit to help look after our Great Barrier Reef by composting, recycling and putting rubbish in the bin.

This booklet contains fun activities and challenges for you to complete, so come on a journey of discovery and learn how you can help protect our beautiful Great Barrier Reef!

Can you think of four answers to the question below?  
Write your answers in the bubbles.



Use one of the headlines on the opposite page to create your own cartoon to help teach people why the message is important.

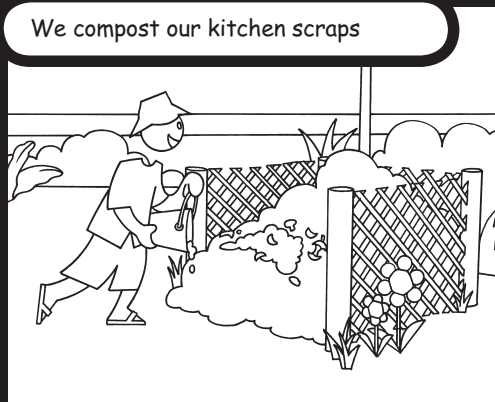
A 3x2 grid of six empty rectangular boxes, each with a thick black border, intended for the user to create a cartoon based on a headline from the opposite page.

COLOUR IN THE CHARACTERS ANY WAY YOU LIKE AND DISCOVER HOW YOU CAN DO YOUR BIT TO LOOK AFTER OUR REEF.

We Queenslanders love living close to our reef.



We compost our kitchen scraps

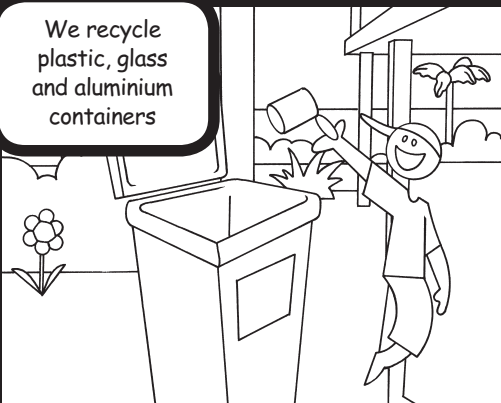


So we've learnt to look after it by doing the right thing at home.

Which makes the worms happy!



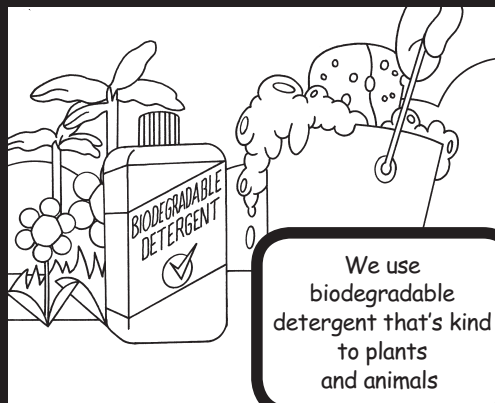
We recycle plastic, glass and aluminium containers



We try not to use plastic bags



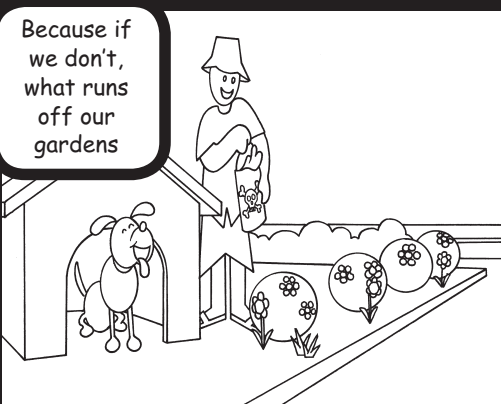
We use biodegradable detergent that's kind to plants and animals



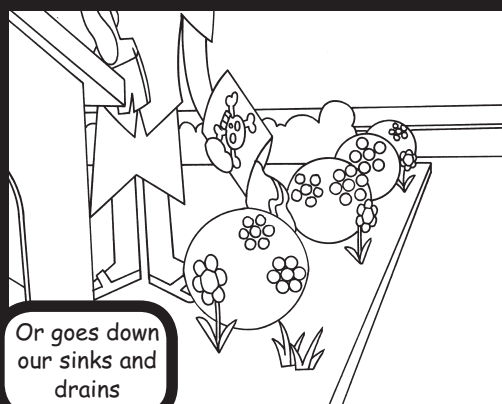
And we make sure Mum and Dad wash the car on the lawn!



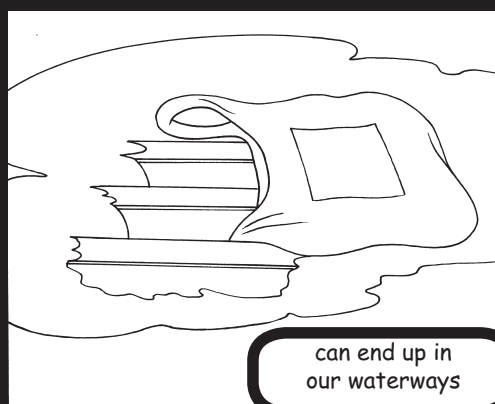
Because if we don't, what runs off our gardens



Or goes down our sinks and drains



can end up in our waterways



and can hurt the creatures and coral of the Reef that we love!



## Keep the Sea plastic free

*This drain  
is only for rain*

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

*Don't  
waste our Reef*

Save energy  
& save the Reef

**Mulch:  
Good for Gardens  
and Good for the Reef**

Think about the houses in your street.  
Write your answers to the question below in the bubbles.

