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Save Our Planet:

750 Everyday **Ways You Can** Help Clean Up the Earth

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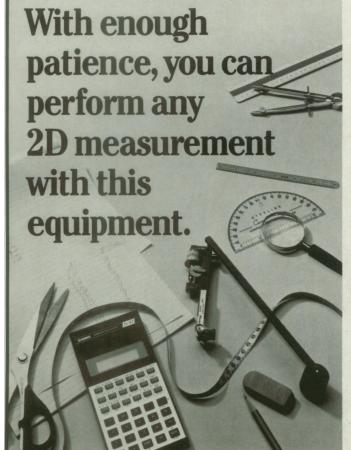


- In Rhode Island, citizens use a separate 20-gallon trash container to throw out their aluminum and tin cans, glass containers, and plastic soda and milk bottles. The penalty for not cooperating is simple: If the recycling bin isn't put out on the day the trash is collected, the household's regular garbage doesn't get picked up either.
- In Gainesville, Florida, 10 percent of parking spaces are reserved for bicycles, removing one of the biggest obstacles bicyclists face: lack of a secure place to leave a bike.
- Eat candy to save the rain forests? You can if the candy is Rainforest Crunch, a sweet brittle made of cashew and Brazil nuts harvested in the Amazon rain forest. The goal is to provide the people who live in tropical rain forests with an economic incentive to keep the forests intact. The company will buy 150,000 pounds of nuts a year, to be made into both candy and ice cream. Forty percent of the profits will be donated to organizations working to protect the rain forest. —from the book

Explains in clear language the major environmental issues confronting the modern world — deforestation, toxic disposal, global warming and offers advice for the reader to follow at home, at the supermarket, at the office, at school and in the community. The author recommends, among other things, returning Styrofoam containers to fastfood establishments, turning your apartment basement into a recycling center and using cloth diapers instead of disposables.

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