

We Can Compost!



By Christopher Richard



It can be a lot of fun to compost!
Compost can help plants grow big.



bin

Set up a bin or a box for the compost.
Sit the bin on top of a shelf.



The bin must have a lid on top.
Snap the lid shut on the bin.



What can we put in the compost bin?
We can put scraps from snack or lunch in
the bin.



Do not put the scraps in the trash.
Stash the scraps in the compost bin.



We must mix the compost in the bin.
Mix it up quick!



The next step is to let the scraps rot in the bin.



Put a hand in the compost.
The compost feels hot!



Smell the compost. The compost will smell bad! Yuck!



Check the bin. Is the compost wet?
If it is not wet, we must add water on top
of the compost. The compost is wet!



The last step is to put the compost in the garden. The compost will help the garden.

It is fun to compost!



About the Author



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Christopher Richard, or *Richie*, is a kindergarten teacher, and has been serving the students of Boston for seven years.

Richie is a proponent of the notion that teaching is not merely an occupation- rather, it is one's soul calling and vocation.

Richie delights in developing core units of study that focus on developing early numeracy acquisition, confidence with emerging literacy skills, and highly productive behaviors that sustain a joy for learning and cooperating within a complex world.

Teacher Guide: FK2 Unit 4 Week 8, *We Can Compost!*

Decodability	91%
Letter-sound focus	CVC, digraphs
Foundations Alignment	Level K, Unit 5 Week 5
Trick Words and other High Frequency Words	what, from, do, have
Vocabulary and Challenge Words	compost, grow, plants, scraps, garden, water 4 phoneme words with consonant blends & short vowels: must, step, help, last, stash, trash, smell, lunch, snack
Topic Connection	Caring for the Earth