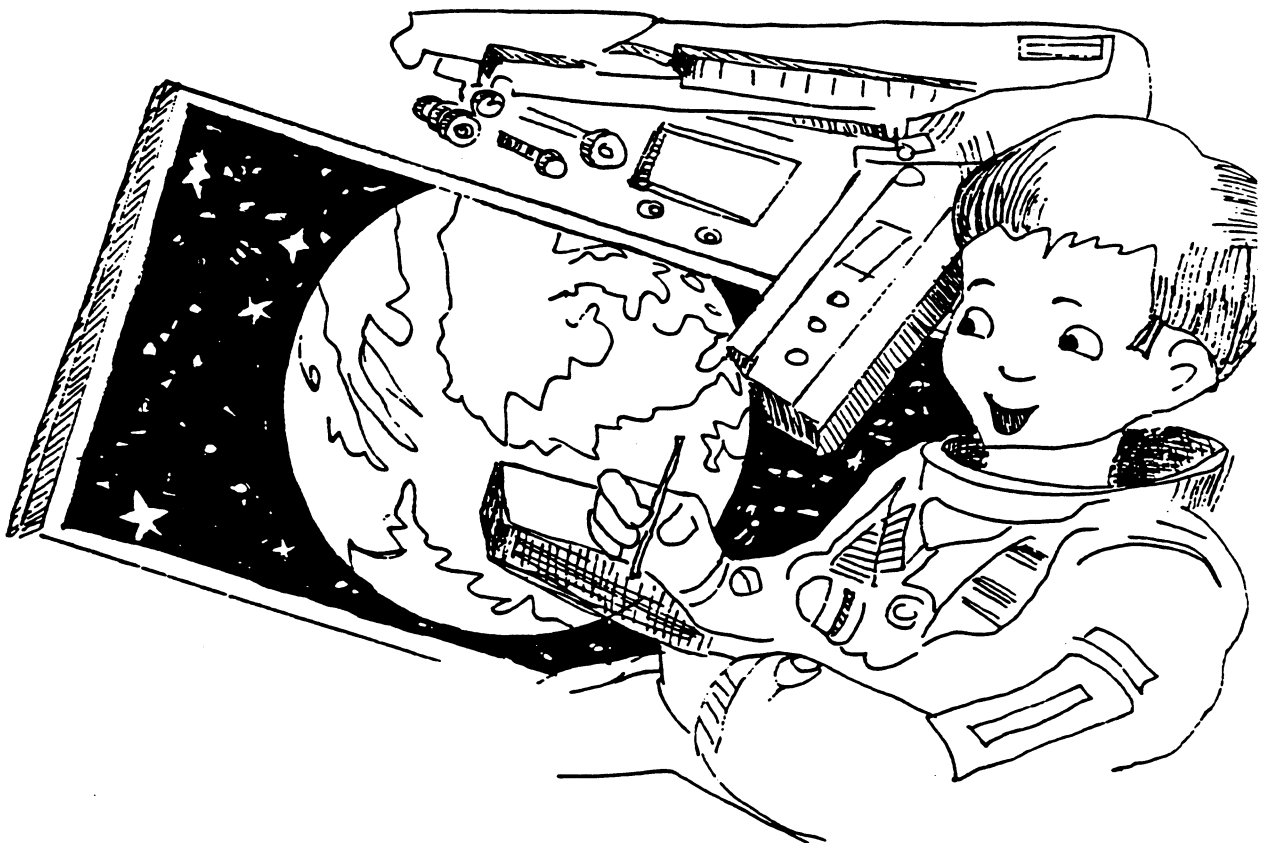

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Part One: The World Around Me

- Look! See! Observe the world around you.
- Do you see its colors, smell its wonderful and interesting smells?
- From a spaceship the earth looks like it's mostly green and blue, but to you and me it's red, pink, green, orange, purple, yellow, blue, and many other beautiful colors.
- Also, from a spaceship you cannot smell or hear the world. On the ground you can hear people talking, birds singing, and horns honking. You can smell your mother's food as she prepares your dinner. You really get hungry.
- How can we make this world a better place in which to live? Can we find better ways to get rid of our garbage? Can we find new uses for objects we normally throw away?
- Think about these things as you read and study the first section of this book.



Part Two: Ecology And Me

- The word *ecology* comes from two Greek words meaning “to study the environment.” The environment is the place in which you and I live. It includes the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the plants that grow in the fields.
- The Earth is called the water planet. Water is a special part of our environment. Without water we could not live and all plant life would die. Animals could not live either. The environment is very important to us.
- As you study the lessons in Part Two of this book, you will have a chance to learn more about ecology. What you learn will last you a lifetime.





4. Decide on your five best rules.

5. Write down your five best rules.

When everyone is finished, you may share your rules. Your teacher will write them on the board.

After doing this you may draw a poster showing children following a rule!

Questions:

1. What are some things you have done to get into trouble?
2. Is it easy to sometimes get into trouble?
3. What are some important rules to follow?
4. What is the best rule to follow to avoid getting in trouble?
5. How can you help others follow rules?
6. Discuss with your teacher the fairness or unfairness of the rules of your school, classroom, home.

Try This:

Make up a rule list for your class using everyone's ideas.

Home:

Help your mother or father make some "house" rules.