



EXPLORE YOUR PLAYGROUND *Environmental Quest*

Plastic Recycling 3-6 Grade

Hi there, I'm Milk Jug Guy and did you know I'm made from something called plastic.

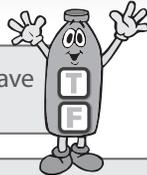
Plastic is one of the most commonly used materials today because it is light and strong, and doesn't break easily. This makes it the perfect material for bottles. Plastic bottles are used to package liquids, such as, milk, juice, detergent or shampoo.

The best thing about plastic like me, is that I can be recycled. If you look on the bottom of me you will see a triangle with a number 2 inside of the symbol. The number 2 is the type of plastic that I am and when you recycle a milk jug it can be made into all sorts of new things like fleece clothing, carpet, garden furniture, compost bins, and even new milk jugs!

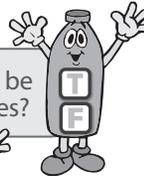
Check True or False inside plastic bottle guy for each question.



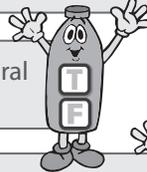
1 Today, 80% of Americans have access to plastic recycling?



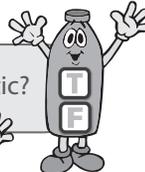
2 Plastic Milk Jugs, when recycled can be turned into laundry detergent bottles?



3 Plastics made from oil and natural gas are renewable resources?



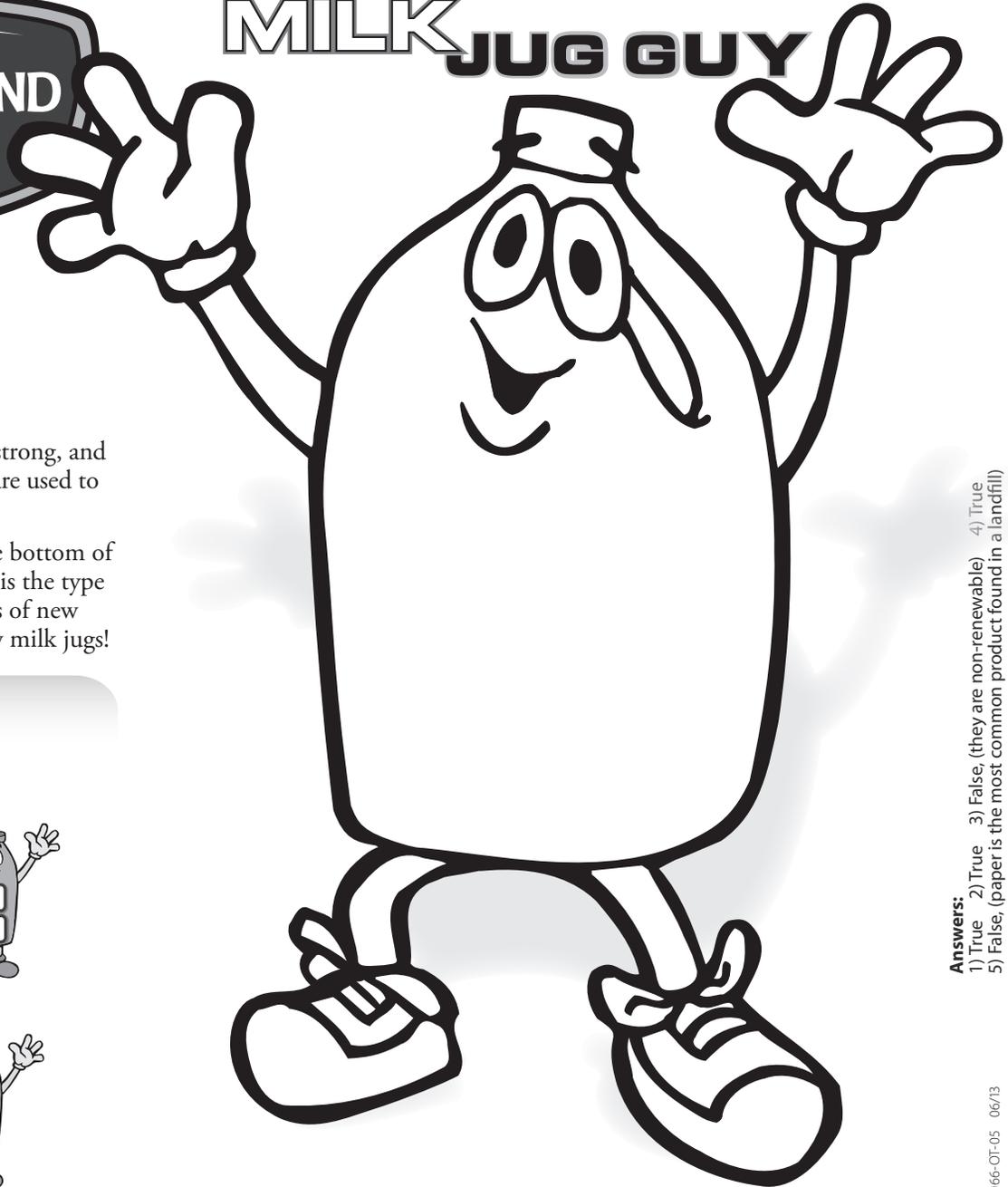
4 Styrofoam is a type of plastic?



5 Plastic is the most common product found in a landfill?



MILK JUG GUY



To learn more about where you can recycle me, visit:
www.idem.IN.gov/files/swmd/map.html

Answers:
1) True 2) True 3) False, (they are non-renewable) 4) True
5) False, (paper is the most common product found in a landfill)