

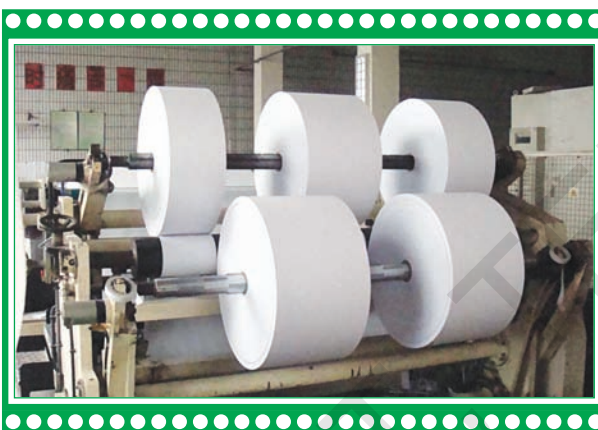
## Reduce paper usage - Reduce pollution

### Objective

To practise economy on use of paper.

### Background

Present developments determine the course of the future to a large extent. We all know that paper is made out of wood, and we get wood from trees. However, we often waste paper. At the rate at which we are consuming paper, we may end up exhausting our valuable resource trees. It is, therefore, essential to adopt economical means of using paper not only to conserve trees but also to reduce the production of effluents from paper factories.



### Methodology

1. Collect information about the process of making paper.
2. Find out what are the various resources used in making paper. Also find out the quantities of these resources.
3. Find out the effect of the process of making paper on the environment.
4. Collect information about the approximate amount of paper used by a student of Class IX in terms of sheets used in notebooks.
5. Think of different ways of using paper judiciously, like using both sides of sheets, and make a list.



### Conclusion

People say that the whole knowledge is preserved in books. Hence, books and papers are valuable. We use notebooks and while papers to write. Let's bind big new

books with the page left over in the last year notebooks. It will be useful for rough work and for drawing. Writing on both sides of a paper, using paper for compulsory work and not wasting the papers and one side written papers are eco friendly habits. Wasting a paper is indirectly cooperating to chop down a tree. This act not only missing the resources but also making the environment polluted.

Write a report on consumption of paper, analysing the information that you have collected.

### Follow-up

1. Present your report in your class. Presentations can be in the form of powerpoint or using charts.
2. Your project may be extend, and students may write articles to news papers on these issues.
3. Make boxes, covers and other useful materials by using used papers.
4. Is there any relationship between wastage of paper and environmental pollution? What are they?
5. Most of the times we burnt papers, leaves, boxes, etc., is it a correct practice or not? Why?

Recycling of paper produces the greatest overall reduction in the emission of green house gases. This is because decomposing matter in land fills causes the emission of methane gas, which is a major green house gas.