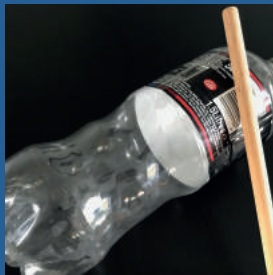


# HOW TO MAKE AN ECOBRICK!

## WHAT IS AN ECOBRICK?

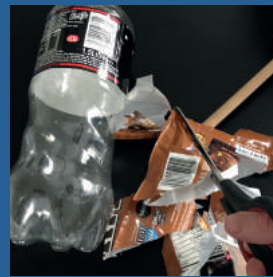
Also known as bottle bricks, EcoBricks are building materials created by filling a plastic bottle with non-recyclable plastic. All that nasty stuff that quite often ends up in the ocean can actually be put to good use, who knew?

### STEP 1



Pick your empty plastic bottle to use. Generally bottles between 500ml and 1.5l work best but make sure it is a bottle shape that is common as it is much easier to build things with them if they are all the same.

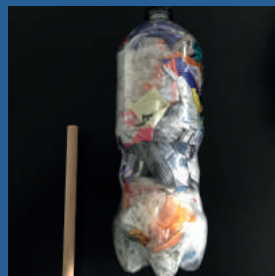
Fill it with dry, clean plastic which cannot be recycled. It may help to cut up the plastic with a pair of scissors. Examples of what you can fill it with include plastic bags, cling film, crisp packets, straws, sauce packets and food containers!



### STEP 2

Use a long blunt stick, like a wooden spoon handle, to stuff your bottle. Don't use anything sharp as this may puncture the sides. Keep stuffing until there is no more space but don't pack it so tight that you can't get the lid back on!

### STEP 3



### FINALLY

You can now build things with your new bricks. Did you know that in South Africa they are being used to build all kinds of things from playgrounds to classrooms. Let your imagination run wild!



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