



Earth Day is April 22<sup>nd</sup>

What is Earth Day?  
Why do we celebrate it?

Do you plan to do anything to celebrate Earth Day?

What **can you do** to celebrate Earth Day?

Write down your answers and be prepared to share them.

## Share your answers.

From the US Library of Congress, *Earth Day* was first observed on **April 22, 1970**, when an estimated 20 million people nationwide attended events at thousands of sites across our country. Senator Gaylord Nelson promoted Earth Day, calling upon students and other citizens to fight for environmental causes and oppose environmental degradation. Since its beginnings, people all across the world now participate in Earth Day celebrations and activities to show that they care about the health of our planet and its inhabitants.

- **Share what you plan to do. Is your school offering activities or celebrations?**
- **What can you personally do?**

Here are a few ideas. Check the internet for many more.

Plan a trash pick up in your neighborhood ✨ Refuse items when you can use what you have. For example, don't use plastic straws or purchase plastic water bottles. You probably don't even need a straw, and check if you have a reusable bottle at home

- ✨ Recycle, and insure that you are recycling properly by checking information provided by your waste hauler
- ✨ Plant a native tree, or native perennials
- ✨ Take a shorter shower to save water
- ✨ Donate gently used items—don't trash them.