

# Improve the habitat

## Junior River Ranger Activity



### Why do it?

The river can be a lovely place for animals and people – but only if we take care of it. Litter is one of the most obvious signs that people are becoming careless and are not valuing the river environment. It makes the river look horrible, it can pose a threat to the animals that live there and, in some cases it can be carried out to sea!



### What you can do

Choose one of these activities to reduce the amount of rubbish in the environment.



Pick up 10 pieces of litter from the area around the river.

**CAUTION:** Avoid the river's edge (see our River Safety guidelines), wear gloves and avoid anything that looks sharp. Put the rubbish in the bin and wash your hands thoroughly afterwards.



Make a poster kindly asking people to look after the river and avoid littering.



Think of ways of reducing your rubbish at home or at school. For example, avoid wrapping your packed lunch in disposable packaging. Use reusable tubs or wrappers instead.