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Lesson 4: Solid Waste Takes Over – Solid Waste Quiz

1. What type of item makes up the majority of the garbage that we throw into our landfills?
(Circle the correct answer)
 - a. food
 - b. plastic
 - c. paper
 - d. metal

2. The kind of dangerous gas that is formed when things rot in landfills is called _____.
(Circle the correct answer)
 - a. oxygen
 - b. carbon dioxide
 - c. nitrogen
 - d. methane

3. List 2 ways that solid waste is harmful to our environment.
 - a.

 - b.

Ask the following question after you read the poem, “We Are the Plooters” (from *It's Raining Pigs and Noodles*, by Jack Prelutsky, New York: Greenwillow, 2000).

4. After your teacher reads the poem “We Are the Plooters,” by Jack Prelutsky, suggest one way that the “Plooters” could reduce how much garbage they “dump into the seas.”
