## WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

June 5<sup>th</sup>

## 13 to 16-year olds

- If it is possible, **bring a potted plant into the classroom** before the learners arrive and leave it by your desk so that it doesn't get knocked down. Once your learners have sat down, walk around the classroom throwing rubbish on the floor and on to the plant. Wait for the learners' reaction and have a discussion about your actions: why is what you have just done wrong? What are the consequences?
- Learners should come to the conclusion that it makes the place look dirty and it isn't nice to see. What are the consequences for the plant? The soil might absorb the rubbish and hurt the plant when its roots look for food in the soil.
- Conclude that dropping litter shouldn't be done anywhere as it affects plants, but also animals who end up eating plastic and can die from it.
- Explain that today is international environment day and that learners will help protect their environment by creating posters. Posters should draw attention to the fact that respecting the environment is part of being a responsible citizen and that it is everyone's duty to do so.



