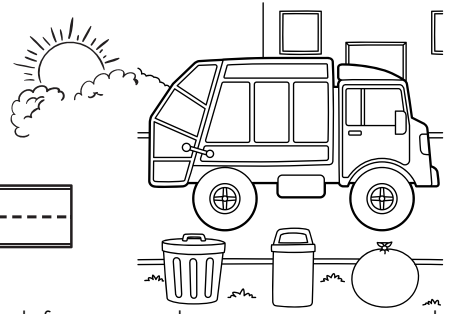


Name _____

THE PATH OF OUR TRASH

Fill in the blanks as you read the story of trash below.

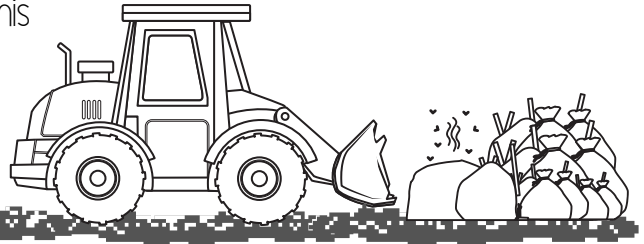
A _____ is a large area of land used to dispose of _____. Landfills are safe and do not cause harm to people or the environment. Landfills even use trash to generate _____ !



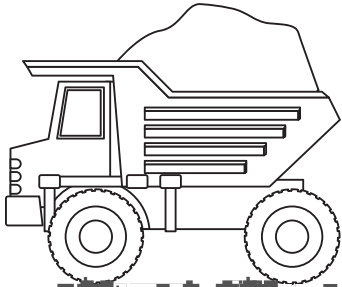
Trash is collected from our homes every week. Large _____ are used to bring trash to the landfill. Trash is compacted inside the truck so it can make many stops.



At the landfill, trash trucks are sent to an area where they will _____ the trash. This part of the landfill is called the "working face".



Compactors are large, heavy machines with spiked wheels. They drive over the trash many times to _____ it into smaller pieces. This helps create space for more _____.



Through out the day, other trucks deliver _____ to the working face of the landfill. This material will be used to cover the trash. Covering the trash helps prevent the trash from _____ blowing away, and attracting animals.



At the end of the day, _____ cover the trash with at least 6 inches of dirt. The next day, more trash is placed on top and the process starts again!

