

Kids for Saving Earth Presents

A CanCan Carnival

Use money you earn from Carnival activities and recycling of pop cans for Earth-saving activities!

Empty pop cans aren't just trash!

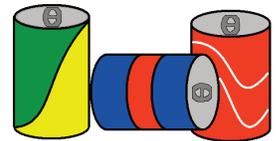
And you can use them for games too!

They are worth money!

Here's a way you can use pop cans to earn funds for an Earth-saving project...

It's as simple as **1, 2, 3!**

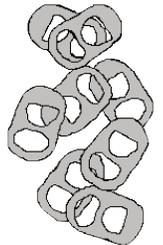
1. Collect as many cans as you can.
2. See below for how you can use pop cans to have a CanCan Carnival to earn funds to help the Earth.
3. After you have raised funds at your carnival, recycle your cans and turn them into cash.



Create a CanCan Carnival

Your CanCan Carnival can be a total-school carnival or it can be held in one classroom.

Tickets: As your cans are brought into school ask kids to remove the pop top tabs. These can be used as tickets for carnival activities then turned in for cash along with the cans. Decide the amount you want to charge participants to play each game.



Prizes: There are many creative ways to come up with prizes. One great way is to ask local restaurants or stores in your community to provide coupons. A selection of used items such as books, toys, and jewelry at each game site for the winners to choose from is a great way to "reuse" items.

CanCan Carnival Games

1. **Can You Guess?** Collect some cans in large **clear** plastic bags. Some of the cans in the bag can be crushed. Count the number of cans per bag. Stack as many bags as possible together to create a huge pile. You can tie or staple the bags together. Then total number of cans you have in the pile. **Be sure to keep that number a secret.** Ask players to guess how many pop cans are in the pile. Collect their guesses, names, and phone numbers, and place in a closed container.* If you have more than one winner you have to share the prize. It's best to choose a prize that you can divide (like money). The player who guesses closest to the correct total wins.

2. **CanCan Bowling:** Weight the bottom of 12 cans with plaster of paris. Set up the cans like bowling pins, and use a softball as the bowling ball. Test out distances and use masking tape to create lanes and starting points. Decide which distance is best for different grade levels. You win when you knock all the cans down (get a strike).

3. **The Tower of Cans:** In this game two players compete to see who can balance the most cans on top of each other. Be sure that the ring pop tops are removed from the cans.

4. **Can Crush:** Players compete to see who can crush the most cans in 30 seconds.

5. **Swinging Cans:** Attach weighted pop cans to a string and hang from the ceiling. Provide three tennis balls to each player. Start the cans swinging and allow the player 15 seconds to hit one of the cans with the ball.

6. **CanCan Pennies:** With a can opener remove the tops from at least 12 cans. Fill them with rocks or plaster of paris to weight them. Set them all together on a table. With strong cardboard create walls around the table edges to prevent pennies from falling on the floor. Players should have at least 10 pennies to toss into the cans. A winner should get at least 3 pennies into the cans.



7. **CanCan Pop Art:** Create can an designs by dipping the cans into tempera paint and making creative prints by rolling the cans or stamping them or whatever comes to mind.

8. **CanCan Pyramid:** Create a pyramid of cans that have been weighted only slightly. Use crushed cans to toss at the stack of cans. Give participants two tries to knock over all the cans.

9. **Flying Can-aries:** Attach a hula hoop to a thin rope hanging from the ceiling. Push the hoop so it sways from side to side. Give the player three crushed pop cans to throw through the hula hoop as it sways back and forth. If you make all three through the hoop you win!

10. **Kick Can:** Who can kick the can along a path the fastest? Create two paths marked out with masking tape. Have a race to see who can kick a can to the end of the path and back fastest without going over the line.

11. **Float Cans on Water:** Be sure the cans are sealed tightly so they will float. Each can should be numbered. Wrap a rubber band to through the poptab and then around the can. Number each can. The number should match a list of environmental issues and suggested answers. Give the player a fishing rod so he or she can hook one of the cans through the pop tab. Then, match the can number to a question and if the player can answer the question he or she wins a prize.



12. **CanCan Golf:** Use a can opener to open enough cans to create a miniature golf course out of cans. Place the cans on their sides or create ramps to the top of the cans for the ball to drop in.

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