SUPER BUBBERO BUBBERO

Head out into your neighborhood and pick up litter – like an earth-loving super hero!

MATERIALS:

1. Trash bags (two can be nice: One for trash, one for recycling). Tip: Always store a small bag in your jacket pocket so any walk can be a Superhero Walk.

2. Gloves – so you're not handling germy trash with your bare hands.

3. Eagle eyes for spotting wayward litter.

4. A sense of adventure!

8,000,000 tons of plastic reach our waterways every year

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#litterati . www.litterati.org

More than a million pieces of trash have been Instagrammed, and then disposed of properly. Download the Litterati app to join in on a global map that uses GPS to display where #litterati is being collected. "Geotags provide insight into problem areas, while keywords identify the most commonly found brands and products. This data will be used to work with companies and organizations to find more sustainable solutions." – litterati.org.

250,000 ions Roughly how much trash is generated in the US per day

If you have kids, ask some questions while on your Super Hero Walk. Here are some ideas: What kind of trash did you see most often? What could be done to help with that problem? Why is it important to pick up litter?

What would our neighborhood look like if everyone littered? How would that feel? What other ways can we take care of our neighborhoods, homes, or other spaces where we live?

Tip: Supervise kids closely – be careful on riverbanks or near roads. Have grown-ups handle dangerous items – like broken glass – or if the litter is too gross, don't mess with it. Make sure kids know to ask grown-ups for advice on making this call.

HOW-TO:

1. Simply watch for trash, pick it up, and put it in the appropriate bag. EASY! You can even make it a game, and the person who picks up the most trash gets a prize! Cupcakes? Brownies? A hug?

2. Throw or recycle the litter, and look around at your cleaner neighborhood. Good job, superhero!

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