



Ask the Planet

No Such Thing as Garbage 10

Here we sit in primordial stew
Doing what bacteria like to do
Although there are billions and billions of us
You will notice we don't make a muss, 'cause

There's no such thing as garbage
It hasn't been invented yet
There's no such thing as trash you stash
and then try to forget
There's no such thing as garbage
We make what we need and no more
One critter's waste is another one's
entrée du jour*

We are mammals and insects
and amphibians
Birds and reptiles and fungi, man
We've no need for landfills
or stinky trash cans
'Cause what one of us can't use
another one can

There's no such thing as garbage
We've been recycling all of our lives
One species' junk is another one's lunch and
then becomes fertilizer
There's no such thing as garbage
We make what we need and no more
One critter's waste is another one's en-
trée du jour

Oh remember when humans
were terribly plagued
By the syndrome called
"throweverythingusaway"
For a few hundred years there

they just didn't think
Thank goodness that garbage
has now gone extinct

There's no such thing as garbage
We learned it just in time
Back when the planet
could hardly stand it
we started to learn this rhyme
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* This line, the best in the song, was
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