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Long Live the King's Curtains

An activity of "King's old curtains get a new life as fashion wear".

Read the article "King's old curtains get a new life as fashion wear" (page 24, *What's Up* January 2024). Then, imagine what else old curtains can be upcycled into.

1. Watch these two short videos about curtains:

VIDEO 1: STE Curtain and Curtain Fabric Manufacturer

➤ <https://youtu.be/x-EGKbFcPCA?si=xbVpmVdnV3jcNMBw> (STE Home, 3 May 2022)

VIDEO 2: Royal curtains recycled into kimonos to benefit king's charity

➤ <https://youtu.be/quyHIXS3v20?si=3vIZ2i9ycFk2CfaB> (NBC News, 12 Dec 2023)

2. Respond thoughtfully to these questions.

a) What did you like most about King Charles' kimonos?

b) If you were given King Charles' old curtains, what would you do with them?

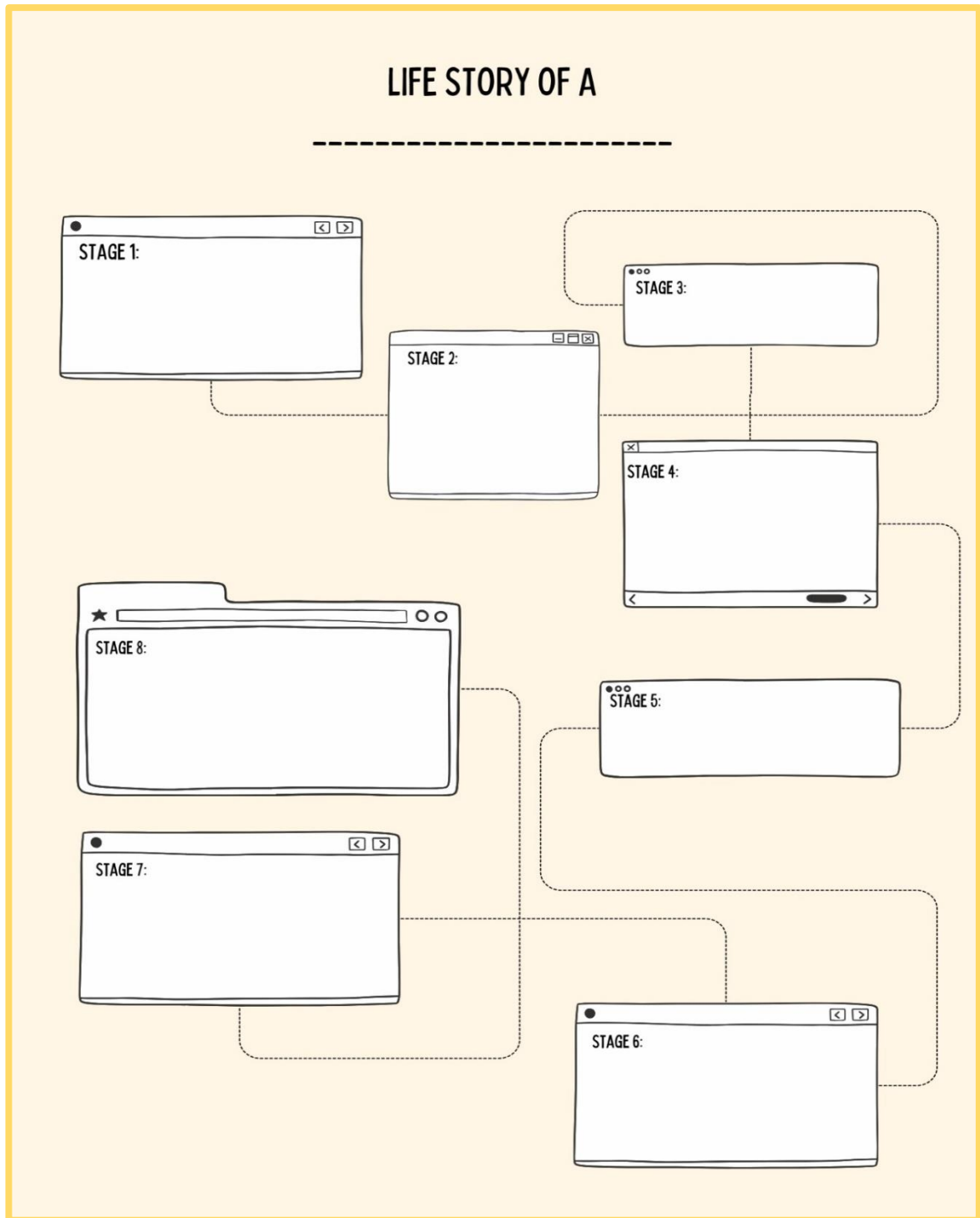
c) Based on the *What's Up* article and the two videos above, what are some of the benefits of upcycling?

3. In pairs, brainstorm and propose new upcycling projects for three other old objects.

Old Object	How we can upcycle it
a)	
b)	
c)	

- 4) Select one of your three items. Create a visual representation that describes the life story of your object from its raw state (e.g. cotton seed), all the way to its original intended use (e.g. curtain), and to its new upcycled state (e.g. kimono). You may break it up into smaller key stages.

Describe each stage below. Use this template as a draft to develop an attractive poster showing the infographic of your upcycling idea.



- 5) Have a mini exhibition on “Upcycling Ideas”. With permission, display all your posters in the canteen or a corridor with other classes to share your great ideas.