

# The Creative-Recycling.com Swap It Party Guide

## **Swap till you drop! Anything goes!**

Plenty of people out there love the idea of the good old Tupper Party. An evening with friends, a laugh, a drink and buying things we don't need. Here comes a guide for a Swap It Party. The concept is simple... you offer up your loved but no longer wanted things and swap them for something else that takes your fancy. For free!

## **How a Swap It Party works...**

You can swap anything you like, books, baby clothes, accessories, kitchen utensils, bedding, DVDs, computer games, music, jewelry etc. So, when you invite people to a Swap It Party, tell them the theme, for example a clothes swap!

Each guest brings at least one item of clothing, a pair of shoes or an accessory to swap. Everything is displayed for everyone to choose from and try on. You and your friends go home with a great new look. It's that easy.

## **You need some convincing why a Swap It Party is worth your while?**

It is fun and your clothes or unwanted items won't end up in landfill. In the UK people throw away a staggering 1 million tonnes of old clothes and textiles each year. Over 7.5 billion articles of clothing mainly end up in ugly landfills every year. Pretty convincing, don't you think? Don't throw it – swap it!

A Swap It Party is a great way to pass on clothes that are cluttering up your wardrobe with unwanted things. A Swap It Party gives you the chance to try on things you normally wouldn't buy. Recycling clothes will give them a new life, being somebody else's treasure! You can re-style or alter items that you find at the swap to suit your style and you can see others get creative with your old clothes too.

It's a brilliant reason to throw a party and you get the buzz of a trip to the shops without it costing the earth.

## **Things to think about organising a Swap It Party**

Where and when will you host your Swap It Party?

What will be your theme?

Think how you can encourage people to attend including invitations and advertising your party

Where will you put all the swappable items and where can people try them on.

Have you thought about music and entertainment for your guests?

Who will organise food and drink? Why not have a bring 'n share?

What are you going to do with left-over clothes or items?

## **Enjoy, it will be good fun and feels good!**