

## *My Fleece Jacket was once a plastic bottle*

Did you know that a fleece jacket was once plastic bottles? Who knew that the warm fleece jacket was made of plastic! It is a great step forward, in environment care.

This is how it's made. For the preparation, plastic bottles are first sorted by color and type. Later the bottles are put in a machine, where it is shredded and washed in water, and then run through blowing dryer. Now it is time for the melting and mixing. The dry shredded plastic pieces are put in an oven. Next, the melted pieces are mixed with other materials and pushed through a device called spinneret, and is shaped into threads. The threads harden when it comes in contact with air, while leaving the spinneret. These threads are spun into fabrics.

Fleece is lighter than wool, and it can keep you warm in extreme weather. Many people prefer fleece to wool, as it does not come from animals. Some business are also supporting fleece. Aquafina and Sam's Club gave 25,000 fleece jackets to 100 schools. The top 50 schools that collected the most plastic bottles got fleece jackets and \$1000 gift cards.

The reason I like fleece most, is that it helps reusing plastic bottles, and keeps it out of our landfills. Now when I wear my fleece jacket, I feel more comfortable, since it is also good for our environment!

Wear fleece and support plastic recycling!

