



Disposable
diapers are
the fourth largest
source of solid
waste in landfills.
And the top three
culprits are . . .

(For the answer, see right.)



Waste Management

| **Reusable diapers by Fuzzi Bunz** | May not be as cute as what the other new auntie will buy, but this is a gift that keeps on giving, in more ways than number one and number two. These colorful and durable cloth reusables have snaps, not Velcro, so Houdini Jr. can't easily shed them at, um, inconvenient times. (\$18 and up, fuzzibunzonline.com)

Bear Essentials

| **Adopt a panda through the World Wildlife Fund** | You'll have to explain to your child that, no, adopting a panda does not mean he gets to share his room with one. These bears are too big for a toddler bed anyway. A donation does get your child a stuffed panda that will smell better than the real thing, and gives you an opening to talk about why an animal so big needs protection. (\$50 and up, worldwildlife.org)

Decoration Salvation

| **Recycled soda can ornament by Bombolulu Workshops** | Sure, go grab that dusty old box of red and green balls. We believe in reuse. But we're also into recycling, which is why we're adding this World's Children ornament to our tree. It's made from soda cans and wire by disabled artisans in Kenya. (\$14, tenthousandvillages.com)

Dig This Rig

| **Log truck by Maple Landmark** | Yes, we're aware of the irony of an eco-sustainable logging truck. But it's a great prop for revving up the conservation conversation with your child. It's made from responsibly harvested wood, and we bet it's a hybrid. (\$41, www.maplelandmark.net)

Reduce, Reuse, Relax

| **Jax slingback chair by Nest** | Easy to assemble (you'll thank us on Christmas Eve) and easy on the eyes, this chair made with organic cotton and recycled wood is where a kid goes to kick back. (\$68, nestplease.com)

Bottled Up

| **Re-Run Messenger Bag by Fleurville** | You know those reusable diapers we mention above? Carry them in a smart bag crafted from fabric made out of recycled plastic bottles. (\$75, fleurville.com)