When I was a little boy,  
I liked to catch the rain  
while people all around my town  
watched it flow right down the drain.

But because our little shed in the bush  
wasn’t on the mains  
the only water we had to use  
was in a tank caught from the rain.

Cos there’s no such thing as waste,  
only stuff in the wrong place  
There’s no such thing as waste,  
Misusing water’s a disgrace.

Moved to the city, rented a house,  
on my way to buy a bed  
Saw one lying on the side of the road  
so I took that one instead.  
I also found a fridge, a couch and a  
big old plasma screen  
In the biggest pile of thrown out stuff  
that I had ever seen.

But there’s no such thing as waste  
only stuff in the wrong place  
That’s right, there’s no such thing as waste  
That old landfill is a disgrace.

Down the track, I found out that  
diesel cars can run on veggie fat  
Bought a truck and hit the road,  
smelling like fish & chips.

I rescued piles of wasted oil from the  
back of restaurants  
I’d be a fool if I bought my fuel  
when there’s oil nobody wants.

Cos there’s no such thing as waste  
only stuff in the wrong place  
No, there’s no such thing as waste  
That old idea’s gotta be replaced.

Now we gotta  
Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repair, Recycle  
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Now I get my things from garbage bins  
and I compost every crumb.  
I save my seeds and eat my weeds and  
feed the leftovers to your mum  
Gonna build a house from the rubbish tip, gonna keep this planet clean  
Reuse ideas that’ve been round for years to live within its means.

Cos there’s no such thing as waste  
Woah no!  
Only stuff in the wrong place  
Squeedledee do da doobee dip  
I said there’s no such thing as waste,  
Yay!  
Only opportunity to be embraced.