# **BBC LEARNING ENGLISH**

# Take Away English 随身英语 What can you do with used coffee? 咖啡渣的用途



Vocabulary: manufacturing 词汇:制造业

It's the most popular drink worldwide. According to the British Coffee Association, approximately two billion cups of coffee are consumed every day. But after the beans have been picked, **roasted** and **brewed**, the **grounds** are often **disposed** of as **waste**. With the environment and **resource consumption** such hot topics at the moment, wouldn't it be great if we could **reuse** this waste to make something useful? Well, you can.

The company OCHIS **manufactures** sunglasses. Max Havrylenko, founder of the company, was searching for an alternative **substance** to plastic. He wanted to 'solve the problem of plastic use and overconsumption', he told the BBC. OCHIS **fuses** the grounds with vegetable oils, forming a **bond**. These are **pressed** into plates which are **durable** and **flexible**. These are then cut into the arms and frames of the glasses. "Don't worry," he says, "They won't **dissolve** in the rain."

Rosalie McMillan, a London jeweller, uses recycled coffee grounds along with gold and silver to make **handcrafted** jewellery. She mixes the coffee with oils and **subjects** it **to** heat and **pressure** to create a **compound** she calls 'Çurface'. Her website claims it has a 'beautiful surface quality and texture' with similar **properties** to hardwood.

What about a coffee cup made from them? Kaffeeform is a German-based company that transforms used grounds and renewable plant-based raw materials into a durable **composite**. This is shaped into a variety of containers and **polished** and finished, ready to be sold. So, you can drink your coffee from a cup made of coffee.

And it doesn't stop there. Even without a factory, you can make use of coffee grounds. They make excellent fertiliser. You can exfoliate with them, or mix them with water to make a sepia-toned paint. And the list goes on. So next time you finish your morning cup, save the grounds.

### 词汇表

roast	烘烤		
brew	煮(咖啡)		
grounds	咖啡渣		
dispose	处理		
waste	垃圾		
resource	资源		
consumption	消耗		
reuse	再次利用		
manufacture	制造,生产		
substance	材料		
fuse	熔合		
bond	粘合		
press	压,压扁		
durable	耐用的		
flexible	有弹性的		
dissolve	溶解		
handcrafted	手工制造的		
subject to	承受		
pressure	压力		
compound	复合物		
property	属性,性能		
composite	混合材料		
polish	抛光		

## 测验与练习

I. 阅读课文并回答问题。					
1. True or false? Coffee is the most favoured drink on the planet.					
2. What happens to OCHIS' coffee grounds after they are mixed with vegetable oil?					
3. How does Rosalie McMillan describe 'Çurface'?					
4. What does a cup from Kaffeeform allow you to do?					
5. How can the average person make use of used coffee grounds?					
2. 选择意思恰当的单词或词组来完成下列句子。					
1. The fire melted the plastic and it to the wall. It has to be cracked off.					
roasted	fused	pressed	polished		
2. The carbon is heat and pressure and eventually becomes a diamond.					
wasted	consumed	subjected to	dissolved		
3. One of the of copper is that it is an excellent conductor of electricity.					
brewers	pressures	dissolvers	properties		
4. Pour the flavour into the water and allow it to Then, add noodles.					
roast	consume	dissolve	polish		
5. It's too soon to take out the tea leaves! You have to allow them to!					
roast	brew	dissolve	pressure		

#### 答案

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True. It's the most popular drink worldwide.

2. What happens to OCHIS' coffee grounds after they are mixed with vegetable oil?

They are pressed into plates which are durable and flexible.

3. How does Rosalie McMillan describe 'Çurface'?

She claims it has a 'beautiful surface quality and texture' with similar properties to hardwood.

4. What does a cup from Kaffeeform allow you to do?

It allows you to drink your coffee from a cup made of coffee.

5. How can the average person make use of used coffee grounds?

They can use them as fertiliser, exfoliate with them or mix them with water to make a sepia-toned paint (among other things).

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- 4. Pour the flavour into the water and allow it to **dissolve**. Then, add noodles.
- 5. It's too soon to take out the tea leaves! You have to allow them to **brew!**