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Recycling Lesson

Why is it important to recycle?

Why do you think that it is important to recycle? Have a think and then look at this page to see if your ideas were right.

<https://your.caerphilly.gov.uk/kidsgogreen/info-zone/why-recycle>

What happens to our recycling?

In Walsall, you can put all your recyclable rubbish in one bin. It is then sorted into different categories (glass, cardboard, plastic and metal) before each of these is recycled. Watch this video which explains how the recycling is sorted

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/z7x2tfr>

Recycling in Walsall

Find the Walsall Council's page on recycling. You can search *Walsall Council Recycling* or you can click on the link below:

https://go.walsall.gov.uk/bins/what_goes_in_your_bins

Activity 1 Understanding the Recycling Advice

Read the page and then answer these questions. The answers to these questions are at the bottom of this document.

- 1) Can you have more than one wheelie bin?
- 2) What bin would you put grass clippings in?
- 3) *Make sure you dispose of confidential or personal information such as bills or bank statements appropriately.* How could you keep your personal information safe when you place it in the recycling bin?
- 4) The Council do not want rats to be interested in the garden waste bins. What advice do the Council give to keep rats away from the garden waste?

5) What should you do to your empty bottles and tins before you place them in the recycling?

6) What type of plastic cannot go in the recycling bin?

Activity 2 Sorting packaging

Find a piece of paper and draw a line down the middle to make a table.

Write the heading *recyclable* on one side and *not recyclable* on the other side.

Look at the packaging (boxes, bottles packets etc.) in your cupboards.

On your table, write down whether each piece of packaging is recyclable or not. For example:



Recyclable	Not recyclable
Glass jam jar	Nappie

If you are not sure, look at the symbols on the packaging to see if it has the recyclable logo there. You could also refer back to the Walsall Council Recycling page.

Next time you go shopping, see if you can buy food in different packaging that can be recycled.

Extension

Single-use plastic is plastic that you only use once before it is thrown away or recycled. If it is not recycled it causes pollution. Recycling it is much better but uses energy.

Make a list of ways that you could avoid using single-use plastic.

Activity 1 Answers

1) Can you have more than one wheelie bin?

No. Each household can only have one bin. However, you can ask for a larger bin.

2) What bin would you put grass clippings in?

The brown waste bin.

3) *Make sure you dispose of confidential or personal information such as bills or bank statements appropriately.* How could you keep your personal information safe when you place it in the recycling bin?

You could rip up or shred the pages before you place them in the recycling.

4) The Council do not want rats to be interested in the garden waste bins. What advice do the Council give to keep rats away from the garden waste.

You should not put any food waste in your brown bin

5) What should you do to your empty bottles and tins before you place them in the recycling?

You should rinse (wash) them before you place them in the bin. This stops the recycling bin from smelling.

6) What type of plastic cannot go in the recycling bin?

Black plastic cannot currently go in the recycling bin.