

# WASTE

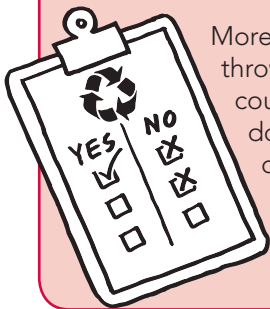
Recycling in the UK saves around 18 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> every year – the equivalent to taking 5 million cars off the road. So how can you play your part?

Here are a few fun ways you can Reduce (having less waste in the first place), Reuse (getting the most out of everything) and Recycle (getting the raw materials back from our waste) to help cut down on waste.



## REMEMBERING TO RECYCLE

### DISCUSSING



More than half of the rubbish we throw away can be recycled and all councils will collect this from your door, even providing different containers to help you sort it all out. Discuss what types of waste can be recycled at home and see who does and

doesn't recycle. Why is this?

Compile a survey to find out what stops people from recycling and put these questions to your friends and family. Are they too busy/ not bothered or do they not know what to put in which container? Do they know the environmental consequences of not recycling?

## RECYCLING AT HOME

### KNOWING

What other items can be recycled? Find where your nearest Household Waste Recycling Centre is and what the opening times are. Are there any other places you can take your recyclables to in the area? Over the next two weeks recycle at home and look to see how much you put out for collection in a fortnight. Has recycling reduced the amount of room left in your non recyclable

bin? Get your parents to join in to see how much recycling the whole family produces. Who produces the most recycling in your troop/unit?

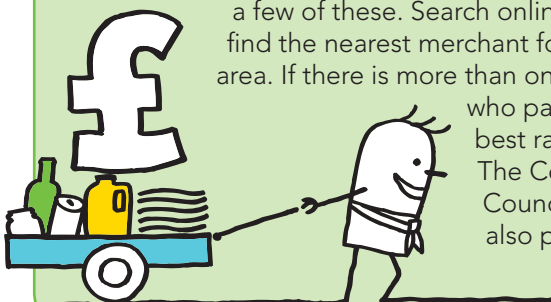


## RECYCLING CANS, RAISING CASH

### DOING

Some waste materials are so valuable that people will actually pay you for them. Aluminium drink cans, paper, card, glass and textiles are a few of these. Search online to find the nearest merchant for your area. If there is more than one, see

who pays the best rate. The County Council may also pay you



Recycling Credits for the recyclables collected. To find out more visit [www.lancashire.gov.uk](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk)

Decide which material will make you the most money and collect as much as you can for a set period – say two months. Keep a weekly total to see who is collecting the most.

Perhaps you could organise a collection in the local area or amongst your friends and family. Remember, the more you collect, the more money you could raise.