



Recycling facts



- In the UK, we produce millions of tonnes of waste at home, from packaging to the food we throw away.
- The more we throw in the bin, the more precious materials and resources get wasted.
- Recycling is all about putting materials into a recycling bin so that they can be processed and the precious materials that went into making them, can be used to make new useful things.

Did you know?

- A recycled newspaper is made into a new newspaper within 7 days!
- The average family in the UK uses the equivalent of 6 trees worth of paper every year.
- Drink cans are made from aluminium and it can be recycled again and again, without affecting the quality of the material.
- Recycling just one drinks can, can save enough energy to power your TV for 3 hours! Plenty of time to watch your favourite film.
- If all the drink cans produced in the UK were laid out end to end, they would reach the moon three times over!
- In the UK, we use 13 billion plastic bottles each year.
- A 1-litre cardboard milk carton can be turned into 5 pieces of paper when it is recycled.
- If you recycle 2 glass bottles, you can save enough energy to power your computer for almost an hour.
- Recycling just one glass bottle will power a light bulb for nearly an hour!

