

# Recycle Week



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# What Is Recycle Week

Recycle Week is a celebration of everything about recycling.

Recycling is very important for the environment and we need to reduce, reuse and recycle resources.

This special week has been held since 2004 and its mission has been to encourage us to recycle more.

Local authorities, shops, brands, schools, businesses and community groups work together during recycle week.

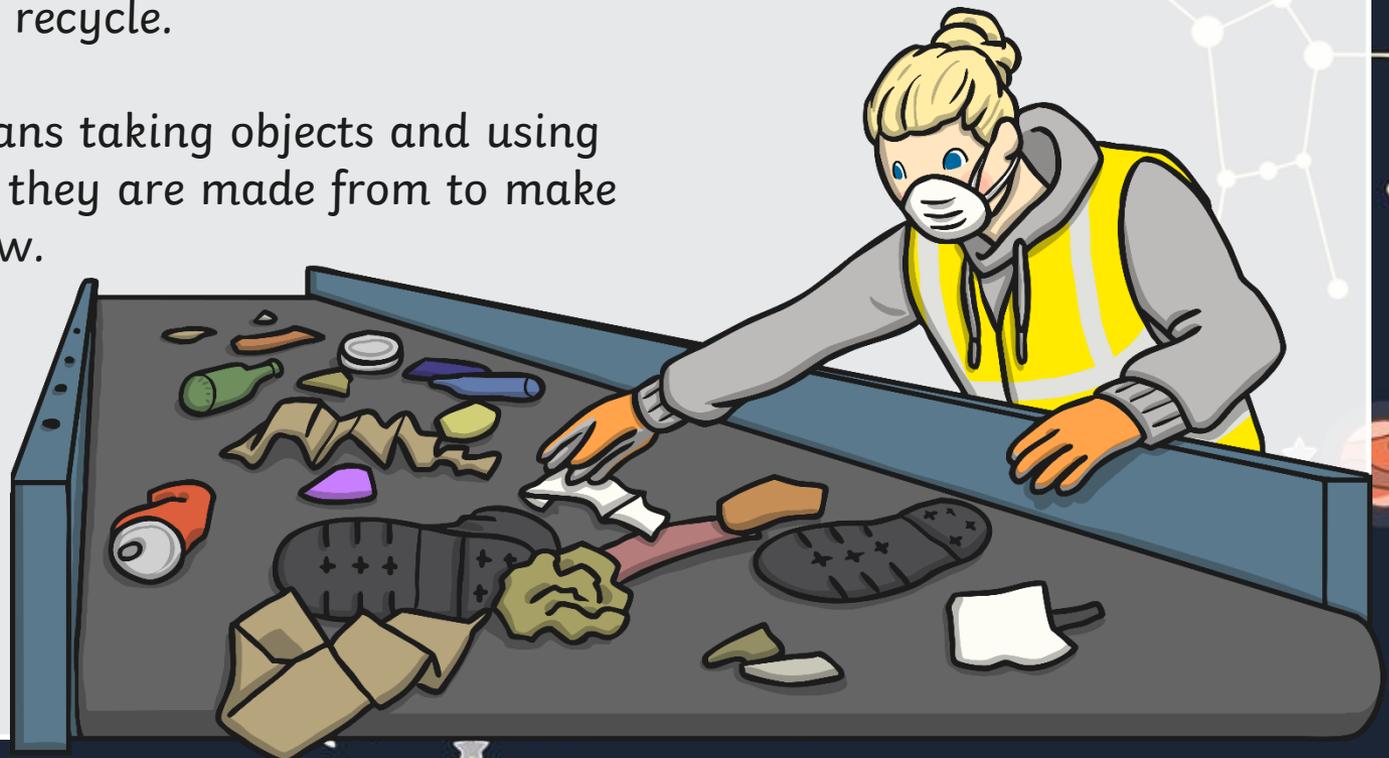


# What Is Recycling?

We all make rubbish each day. Rubbish is not good for the planet we live on and if we don't do something to reduce the amount of rubbish in our world it could damage it.

To lower the amount of rubbish in the world we can recycle.

Recycling means taking objects and using the materials they are made from to make something new.



# What Is Recycling?

Examples of Recycling?



Paper can be recycled to make new paper or a toilet roll.



A tin can could be recycled to make chocolate wrapping and new drinks or food cans.



Glass can be recycled to make new bottles and jars.

# What Happens to Things When They Are Recycled?



After you have placed your object for recycling in the recycling bin it will be taken away to a recycling factory, shredded into very small pieces and melted down into a liquid or pulp before being used to create something new.

Have a look at this website to see how different materials are recycled = <http://www.recycling-guide.org.uk/science.html>

# The 3 'R's of Recycling

**R**

**Reduce**

Think about things you are about to throw away. Could they be used again or do a different job? If we can use things again it reduces the amount of rubbish we create.

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**Reuse**

Could the items you no longer need be used by someone else who might like them? You could give them to friends or family or take them to a charity shop.

**R**

**Recycle**

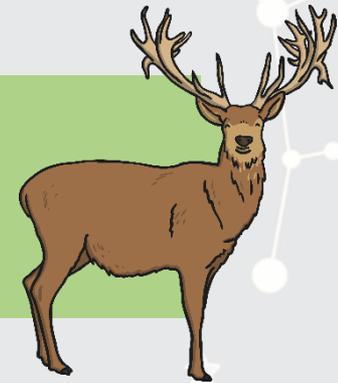
If you cannot reduce or reuse your rubbish, then recycle it. Take them to your nearest recycling bank or add to your recycling bin and it will be made into something completely new.

# Why is Recycling Important?



If materials are recycled it saves natural resources having to be taken from the earth to make new things.

Recycling saves energy and stops pollution like gases which can harm animals and plants.



Land which is used to store rubbish can be used for other things and poisonous liquids which could leak from rubbish are destroyed.

# Where to Recycle?

As well as home recycling bins, there are many recycling banks across the UK that can be used to recycle different materials. They are located on streets across the UK as well as in supermarkets and outside housing estates.



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# Recycling around the Home



Put a bag or bin in your bathroom just for recycling.

Rinse all bottles first.

Remember to remove trigger spray and pump dispenser tops.

Remember to recycle baby products such as plastic talcum powder bottles and men's toiletries like shaving gel aerosols.

**TOP  
TIPS**



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## TOP TIPS

Recycle all newspapers and envelopes from your living room.

Have a bin or box in your kitchen for recyclable items.



Put a bin in your bedroom for recycling magazines and tissue boxes.

Not currently recycled:  
Crisp packets, polystyrene packaging, bread wrapping, plastic bags, and microwave food trays.

Cardboard packaging from online orders can be recycled (or used again).

# Recycling around the Home

Encourage your friends and family to recycle more of the right things, every time, from all around the home by:

- Talking about why recycling is important.
- Motivating people and teaching them how to recycle more.
- Demonstrating how to be an effective recycler.





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