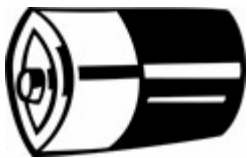


Recycle



Rechargeable Batteries

Rechargeable batteries will save you money. They cost about twice as much as normal batteries, but you will get your money back hundreds of times over as the rechargeable batteries will last for many years. Why not have a box or bucket to put your old batteries in and when it's full take them to the councils recycle centre.



The answer to last month's disposable nappies question: 9 million are used EVERY DAY!

FACT:

Last year around 13 billion steel cans were produced in the UK. Of these, 3 billion were recycled. This means that nearly 10 billion ended up in landfill sites – BAD NEWS!



This Months Feature:
Recycling cans

Why Recycle Tin Cans?



Recycling is one of the most important things you can do to help save our planet's precious resources that are running out. Recycling tin cans, which are made from steel, has major environmental benefits.

By recycling tin cans, we can:



- Help save natural resources and protect the environment.
- Keep steel in the 'recycling loop' and save it from going into landfill sites.
- Help the UK to reach its target of recycling 54% of steel packaging by 2008.



Question:



On average, how many cans does each household use a year? (Answer in next month's issue).



Fact About the 'Tin' can:

The steel can was invented in the late 18th century to solve the problem of keeping food fresh for Napoleon's soldiers in battle.

Bin collection survey:

Lots of people are unhappy about how our green bins are collected. They fill-up quickly but are only collected every 4 weeks. This means a lot of stuff that can be recycled goes into the grey bin. So what do you think? I asked some people where I live and the answers are below.

Question

"How many weeks do you think you need before your green bin needs emptying?"

Naomi Roxby-Wardle

" I think it should be collected every 3 weeks. It would not be worth collecting the bin too regularly because it wouldn't be full. But if we did it more often like every 3 weeks it would encourage people to recycle more"

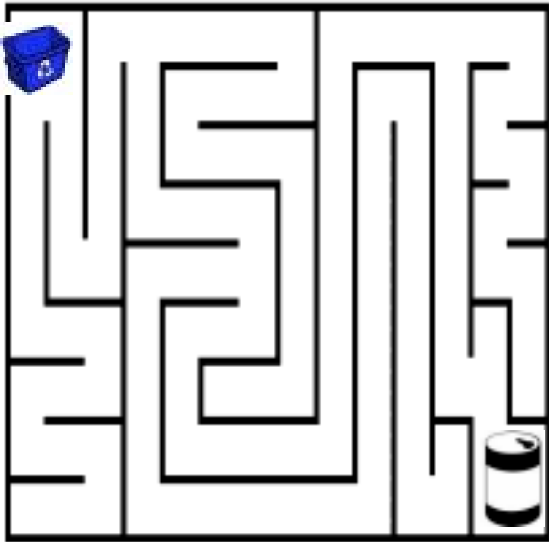
Kirsty Joynson

"I think it should be collected every 2 weeks because it might encourage people to recycle more. Also if it is 4 weeks and the green bin is overflowing people will put things that can be recycled in the black bin."

Ian

"There are 5 bin collections in a month. It would suit our family if there were 3 grey bin collections and 2 green bin collections".

Remember we should all do this each day



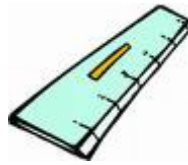
Can you complete the maze to get the tin can into the recycle bin!

Do you want to win a prize?

We have a few prizes on offer this month. Some pens, pencils and rulers all made from recycled stuff, cool!



If you send in any hints, tips, advice or suggestions you will be put into the hat for the prize draw. Prizes were all donated by our friends at SCRIB. Winners will be told in next months Recycle Newsletter.



New Additions To The Team.

A big welcome to Kirsty and Naomi. They are new members to our Recycle Newsletter Team. They have agreed to be our 'Agony Aunts'. If you have ANY questions about recycling or helping our environment they are the ones to ask. Send your questions to agonyaunt@conxxion.com And they will find the answers for you.



Q. 'Tin' cans are made of steel, so why are they called 'tin' cans?

A. The steel cans are coated with a very thin layer of tin to protect the steel and the food in them, so people called them 'tin' cans.

Did you know?

Steel is iron with small amounts of carbon in it. The chemical symbol for Tin is 'Sn', Iron is 'Fe' and Carbon is 'C'

This Months Competition.

To win one of this months prizes can you tell us what SCRIB stands for? All answers to be sent to recycle@conxxion.com



by the 25th of February at the latest.

What can be recycled at the councils recycling centres?

More than you might think!

Paper, card, plastic, cans, garden waste, books, spectacles, tyres, wood, batteries, mobile phones, paint (some sites only), foil and lots more! Thanks to councillor Steve Smith for sending loads of information. We will be using lots of it in future newsletters.



A sad and worrying fact !

Once something gets into a landfill site it will never be recycled or used again. This means we will need to take more from our planet and it is quickly running out of all this stuff.

The 3 R's

- Recycle !
- Reduce !
- Reuse !

RECYCLING PAYS IN MANY WAYS

