

# Get Rid of It Right – Cambridge Schools Recycling Quiz

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- Which of the following cannot go in the recycling?
  - Cereal bowls
  - Milk cartons
  - Juice cups
  - Plastic water bottles
- Which of the following cannot go in the recycling?
  - Newspaper
  - Worksheets
  - Paper towels
  - Magazines
- Which of the following cannot go in the recycling?
  - Notebook paper
  - Aluminum cans
  - Plastic utensils
  - Lunchables boxes
- Which of the following items need special disposal?
  - Fluorescent bulbs
  - Non-alkaline batteries
  - Electronics
  - All of the above
- How much energy do you save if you make an aluminum can out of recycled aluminum instead of new aluminum?
  - 25%
  - 45%
  - 65%
  - 95%
- All clean and dry shoes and clothing, even single shoes, and socks with holes, can go in collection bins found around Cambridge and outside many schools, or scheduled for home pickup. These materials are not allowed in the trash.

TRUE                  FALSE
- Recycling protects nature and animals because:
  - Animal habitats are harmed when ore is mined to make new things
  - Animal habitats are harmed when trees are cut down
  - Pollution from making things hurts animals and where they live
  - Pollution from throwing away things hurts animals and where they live
  - All of the above
- Plastic bags can't go in the recycle bin at home or school. They jam the machinery at the sorting facility.

TRUE                  FALSE
- How many trees does recycling 2,000 pounds (one ton) of paper save?
  - 2
  - 6
  - 10
  - 17
- Recycling:
  - Saves energy and water
  - Saves natural resources like trees, oil and ore
  - Prevents waste and saves landfill space
  - Helps curb climate change
  - All of the above

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## ANSWERS

1. B
2. C
3. C
4. D
5. D
6. TRUE
7. E
8. TRUE
9. D
10. E

**Thanks for taking the quiz!**

Visit [CambridgeMA.Gov/Recycle](https://CambridgeMA.Gov/Recycle) for the full list of what can be recycled.

**Have recycling questions? Need labels, bins, or signs? Would you like a presentation on recycling and/or composting for your class?**

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