

Vocabulary: RUBBISH AND RECYCLING

1) RUBBISH : NOUNS AND PHRASAL VERBS

A) Read the definitions of rubbish and waste. Then, match the other nouns to their definitions

BIN – BIN BAG – DUSTMAN – LANDFILL SITE – RUBBISH – WASTE PAPER BASKET –
RUBBISH - WASTE

- a) _____ rubbish _____ things that you throw away because you don't want them anymore. (AmE garbage or trash)
- b) _____ waste _____ materials that are not needed, and thrown away, e.g. industrial -, toxic –
- c) _____ a container kept outside that you put rubbish in (also dustbin)
- d) _____ a plastic bag which you put rubbish in and then throw away.
- e) _____ a small basket kept in a room where people throw away paper and small things
- f) _____ a person whose job is to take away the rubbish (also refuse collector, NAmE garbage collector)
- g) _____ an area of land where large amounts of waste are covered with earth

B) Complete the sentences with a phrasal verb from the list.

PHRASAL VERBS:

Give away

Take away

Take out

Throw (it) away

- a) If that pen doesn't work, just _____. I hate having pens that don't work.
- b) Please, could you _____ the rubbish? I did it yesterday.
- c) I'm moving house in a few weeks, and I've decided to _____ a lot of books and clothes to a charity shop.
- d) In many countries there are special containers for used glass and cardboard. People then come and _____ to be recycled.

2) PACKAGING

a) Match the words and pictures

_____ bottle

_____ can

_____ cardboard box

_____ carton

_____ jar

_____ lid

_____ packet

_____ plastic bag

_____ polystyrene tray

_____ pot

_____ sell-by- date

_____ tin

_____ tub

_____ wrapper



b) What kind of packaging is normally used for...?

1) YOGHURT

2) BISCUITS

3) OLIVES

4) SOFT DRINKS

5) SARDINES

6) A WASHING MACHINE

7) ICE CREAM

8) MILK