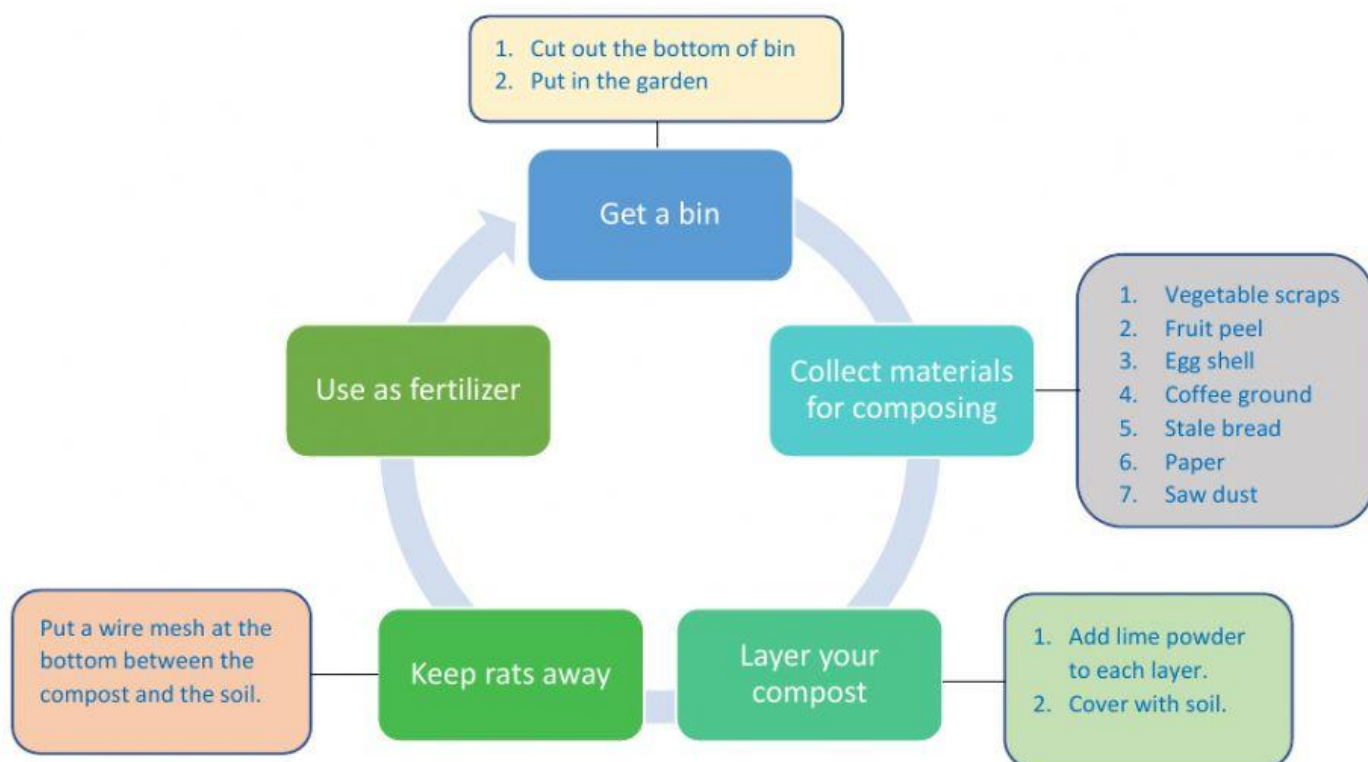


STARTING A COMPOST HEAP



Fill in the blanks with information from the flow chart.

Composting is a good way to reduce the amount of rubbish that we throw out. To start a (1) _____, first get a bin and (2) _____ the garden. Cut out the (3) _____ of the bin out so that the earthworms can get into the compost heap. Next, start collecting the materials that will go into your compost heap. (4) _____, _____ egg shell, coffee ground, and (5) _____ can all go in. (6) _____ and (7) _____ are good for compost heaps too. Then, sprinkle a layer of (8) _____ over each compost layer and then cover it with a bit of soil. To keep rats away, put a (9) _____ at the bottom of the bin between the compost and the soil to prevent them from getting in. Once your compost is ready, you can use it as (10) _____ for your garden.