Recycling

Fill in each gap with **one** suitable word.



Recycling is one way we, ordinary citizens, can do our part [ ] keep our planet clean. Recycling is really useful because we not only clean up our environment [ ] we also reuse what would otherwise [ ] thrown away or end up in a landfill site. In the EU recycling is a priority [ ] most European countries make sure that their citizens recycle [ ] household items as paper, cardboard, glass and plastic bottles or metal cans.

We often throw [ ] paper without realising how many trees have to be cut down to make books, newspapers and magazines. Many big cities, including Budapest, [ ] dirty because people litter: they drop wrappers, used tickets and cigarette butts and packets. Ideally, all paper should [ ] recycled. In Hungary we can take household waste to collection points where there are usually 4 or 5 big containers, one for paper, two for coloured and white glass and [ ] one for plastic bottles. Sometimes there's container for aluminium cans [ ] well. In some European countries, like Germany or Britain, residents are given special bins and plastic boxes to collect recyclables, which are then emptied, usually once a week, just like their rubbish bins.

Choose the correct word.

The other thing which people throw away – [ ] the place where they live an eyesore – is the plastic bottle. More and more people carry water with them in plastic bottles [ ] these bottles are [ ] than glass ones. When they have finished their bottles, they often don't bother to recycle them, or even [ ], to put them in rubbish bins. [ ] with paper, plastic bottles can be taken to collection points and put in containers there. Since plastic bottles [ ] a lot of space, it's better to crush them [ ] we put them into a container. In Hungary, the caps of plastic bottles are often collected separately. The money [ ] for bags full of caps often goes to a good [ ], such as a sick child's hospital treatment.

Beer and wine bottles should not be [ ] out with other household rubbish either. In Hungary we separate coloured and clear glass bottles and put them into two different containers.

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