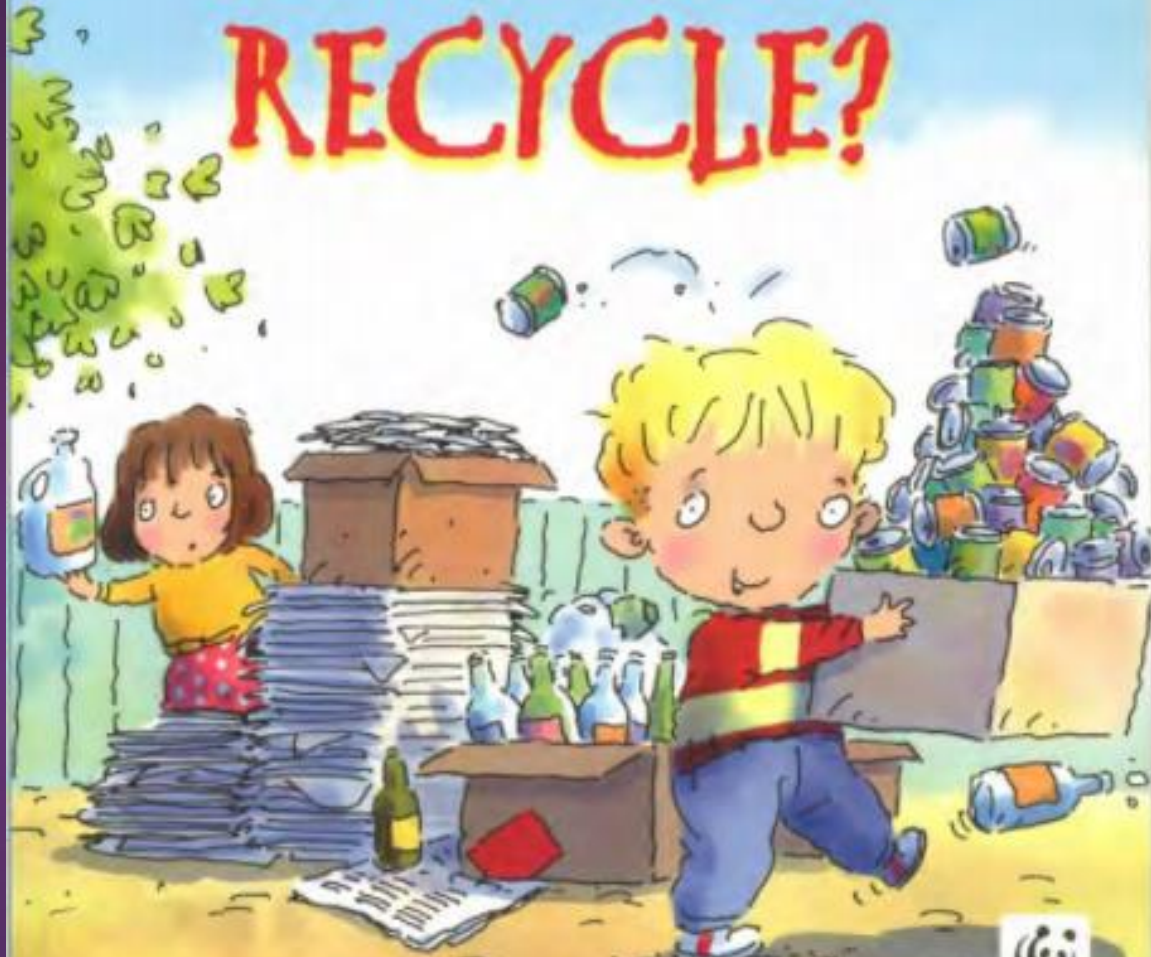


WHY SHOULD I RECYCLE?



~ Illustrated by Mike Gordon ~



In my family, we recycle rubbish. We return things so they can be used again.



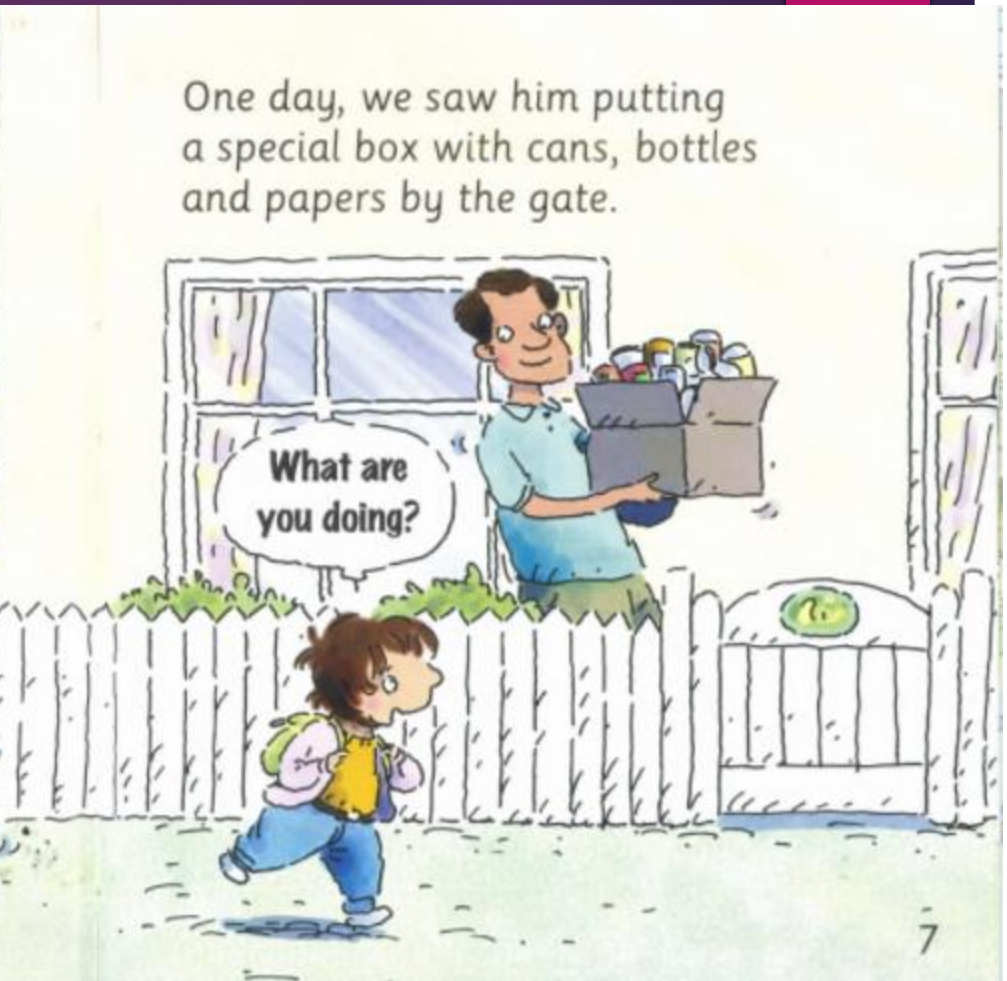
We didn't always recycle.
We threw everything away!



On our way to school, we
always pass Mr Jones's house.
Mr Jones is our teacher.



One day, we saw him putting
a special box with cans, bottles
and papers by the gate.



'This box is for recycling. All these things are taken away and used again,' said Mr Jones.

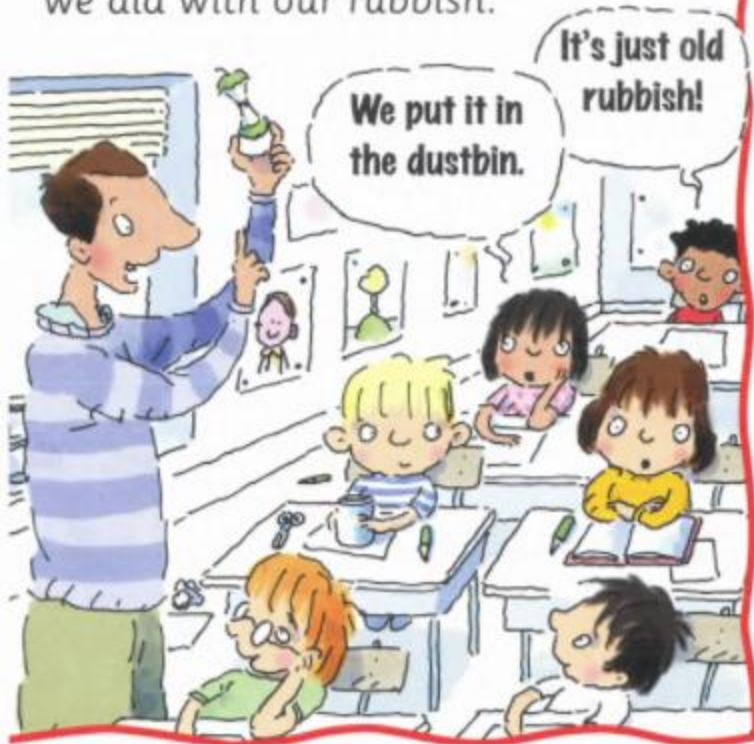


What's recycling?

I'll explain at school!



In class, Mr Jones asked us what we did with our rubbish.



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Mr Jones said rubbish contained lots of useful things that can be recycled, or used again.



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Mr Jones took the class to a recycling centre. It had separate banks for bottles, tins, plastic, clothes and paper.

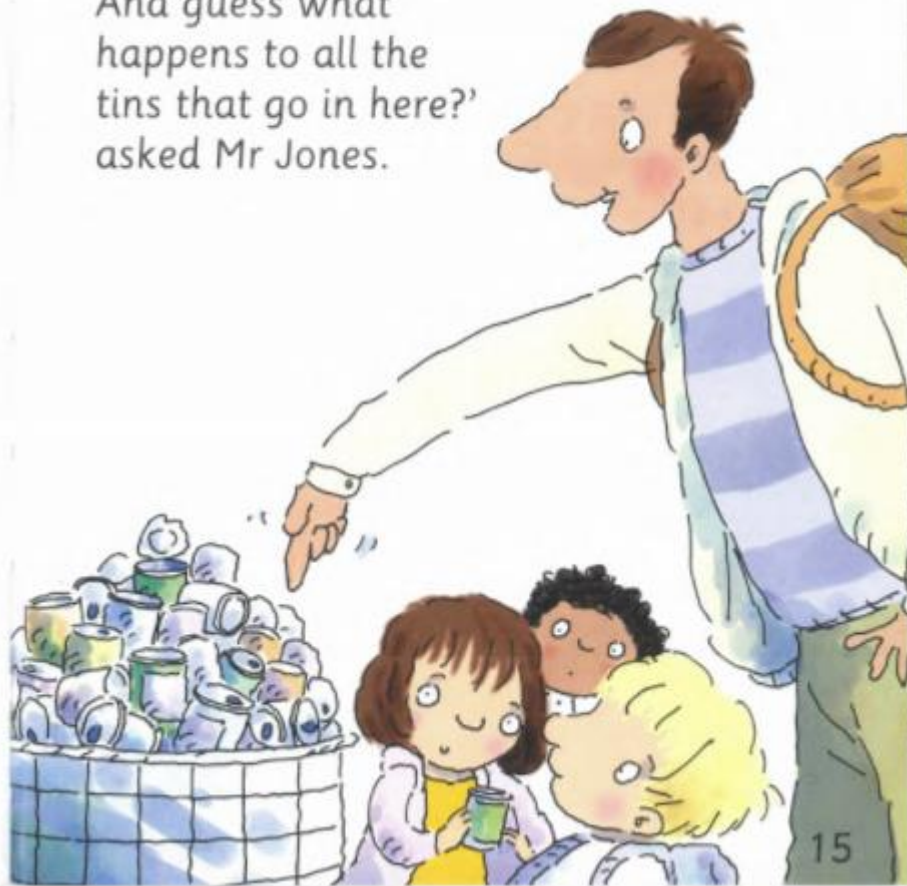
'What do you think happens to all the glass that goes in here?' asked Mr Jones.



'It all gets broken down to make new shiny bottles!



And guess what happens to all the tins that go in here?' asked Mr Jones.



'They get melted down to make new metal things such as bikes and scooters.

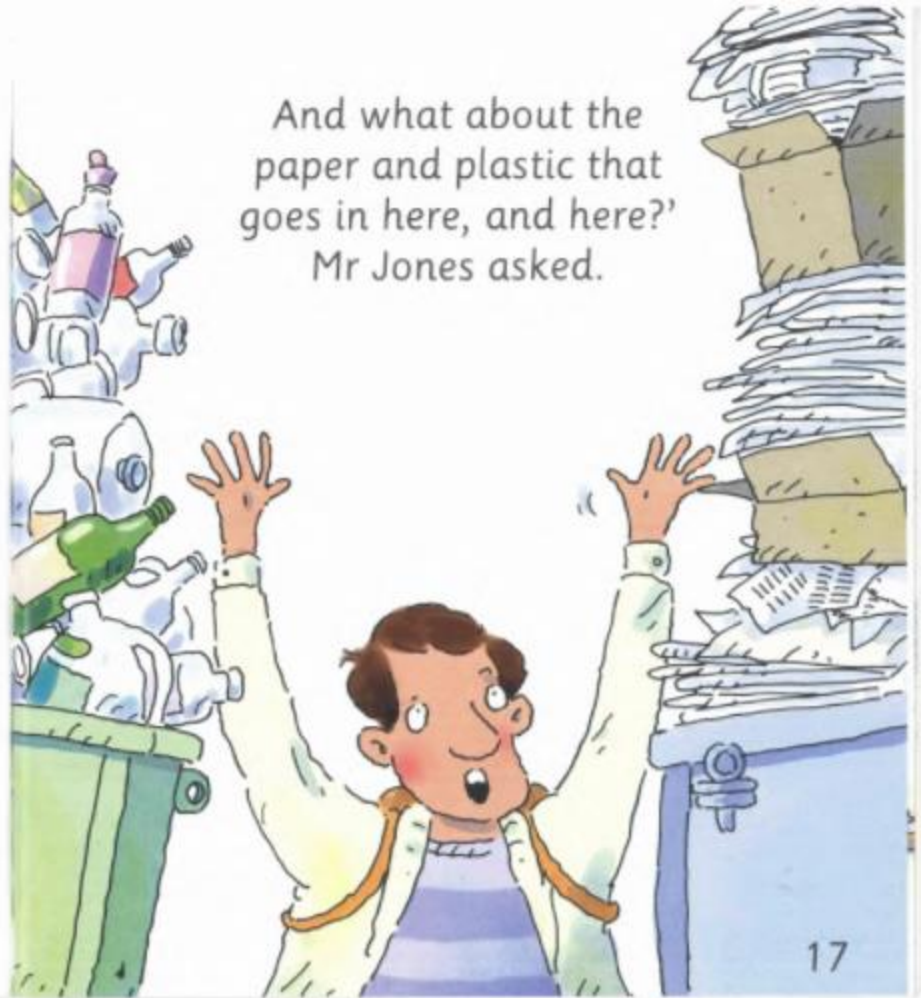


Wow!



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And what about the paper and plastic that goes in here, and here?'
Mr Jones asked.



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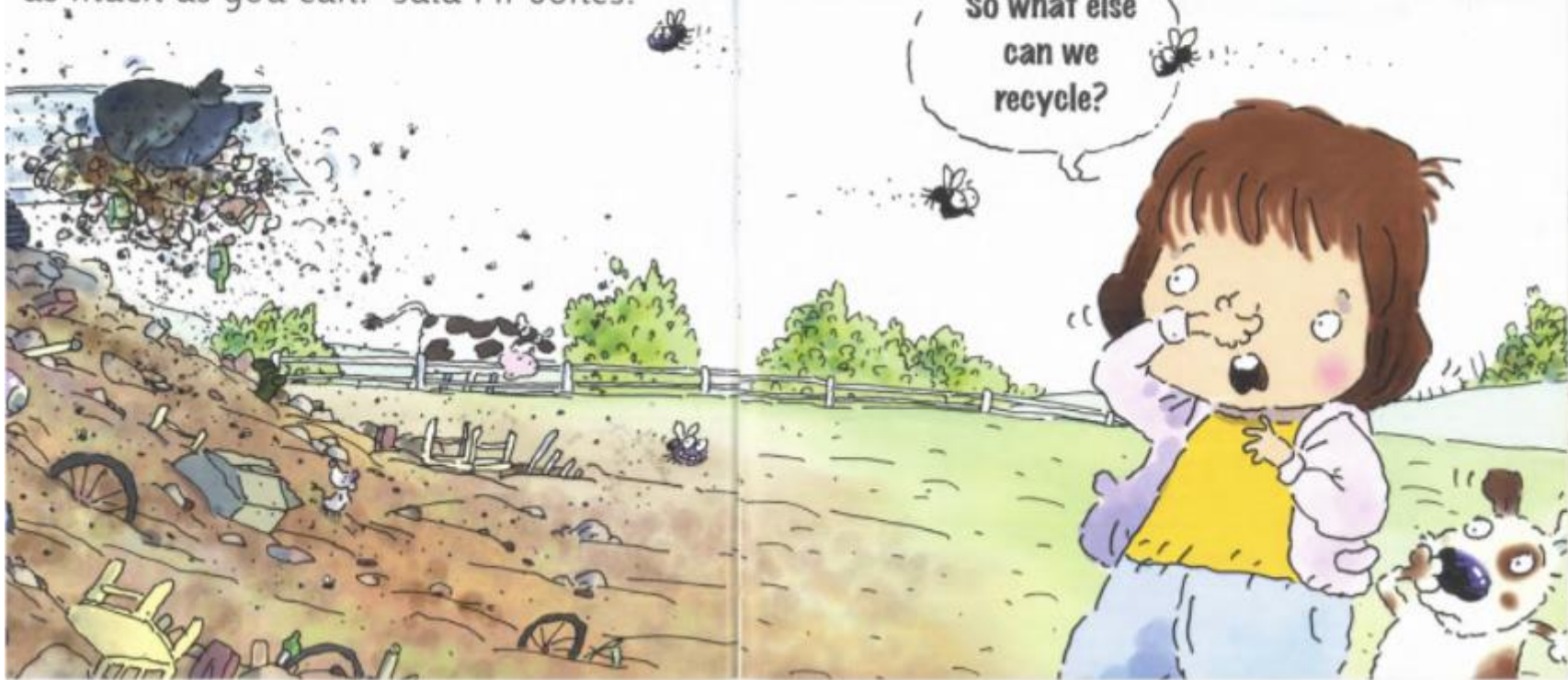
'The paper all gets shredded and used to make new books and comics.'



This plastic can be used to make all kinds of things, including clothes – you might be wearing some!' said Mr Jones.



'Most of the rubbish we put in the bin gets buried in dumps that spoil the countryside. It's good to recycle as much as you can!' said Mr Jones.



'Clothes, books and toys that you don't want can all be taken to the charity shop,' explained Mr Jones.



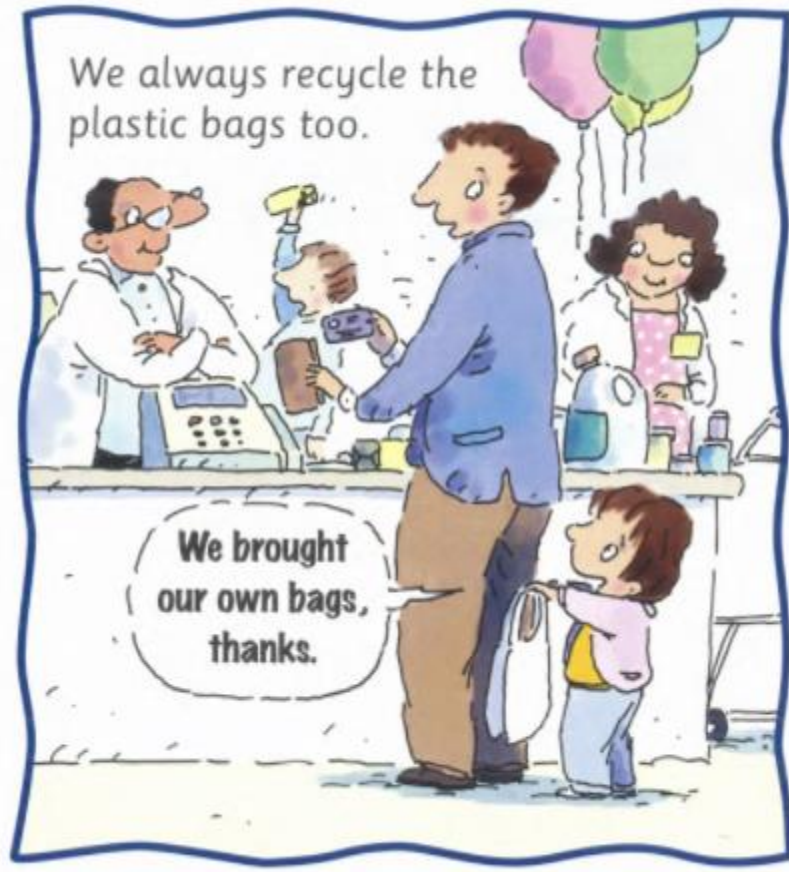
'The food we buy at supermarkets comes in packages that can all be used again.'



I told Mum and Dad about our trip to the recycling centre. Now we buy recycled things at the shops.



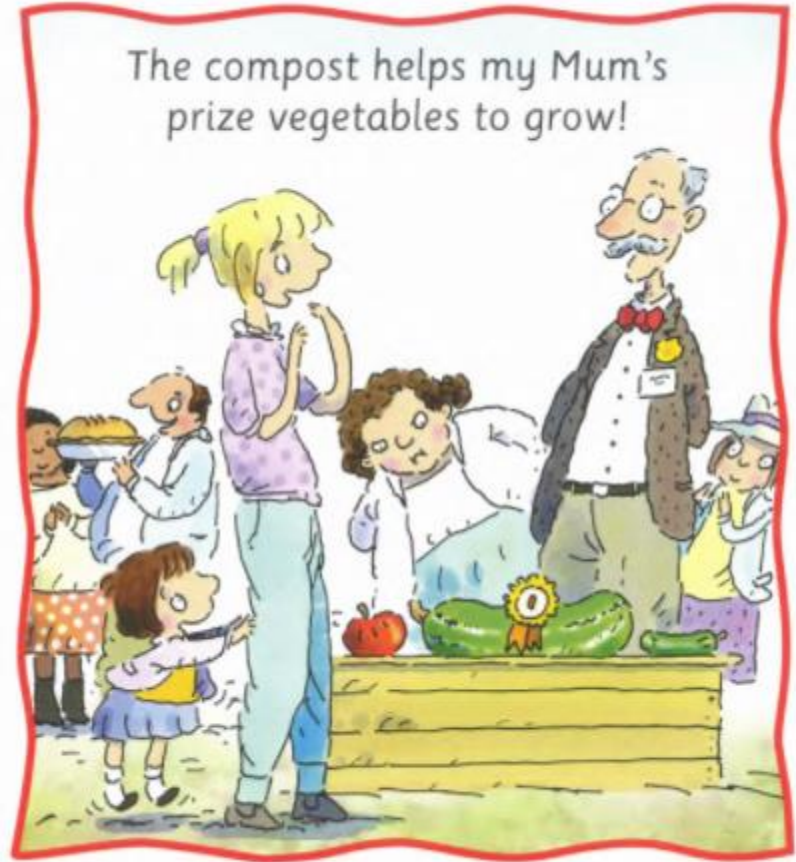
We always recycle the plastic bags too.



We also recycle everything at home. Fruit and vegetable peelings get recycled on our new compost heap.



The compost helps my Mum's prize vegetables to grow!



Now we recycle so much rubbish,
there's hardly any left
for the bin!



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Recycling is kind to nature.
It saves money – and it's fun!

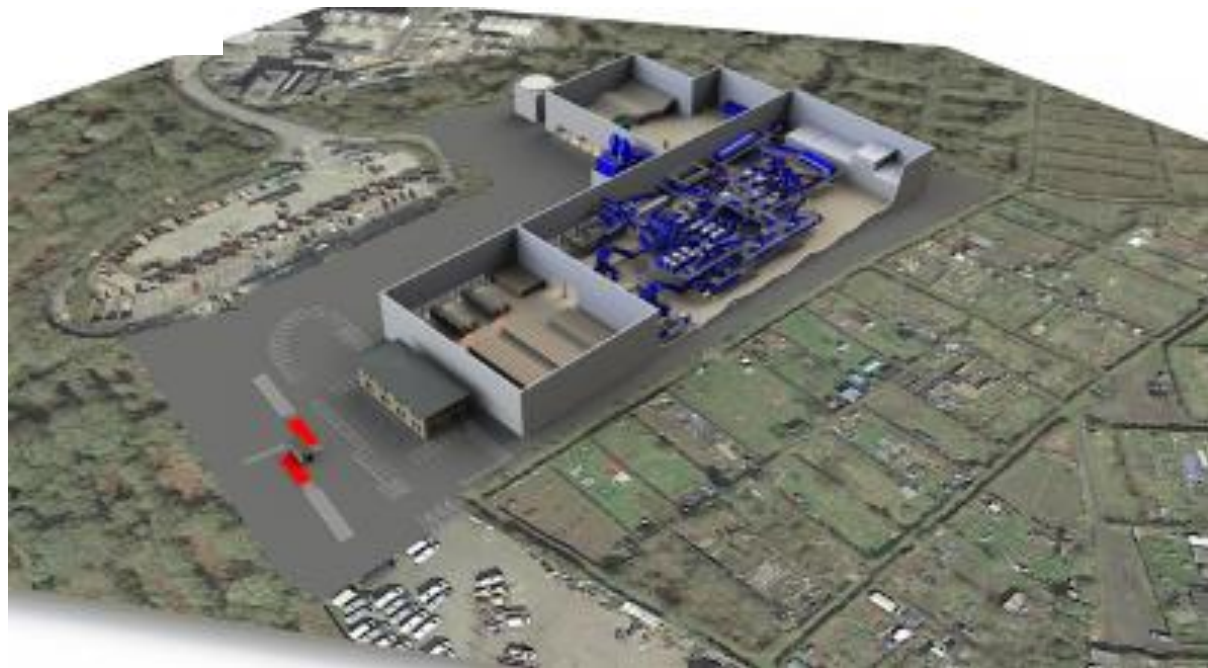


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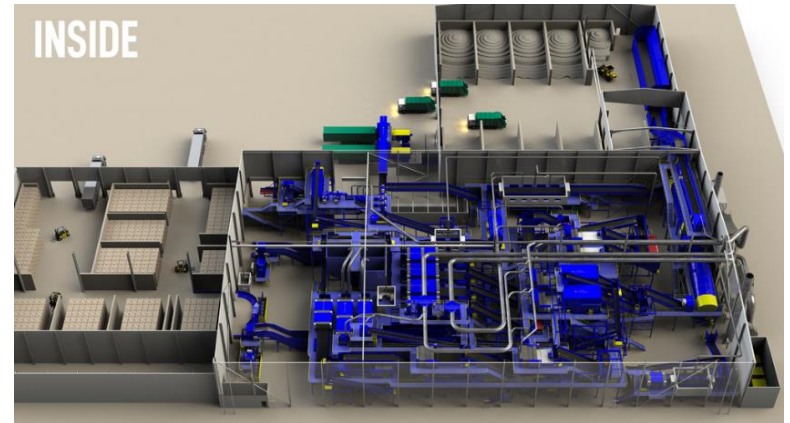
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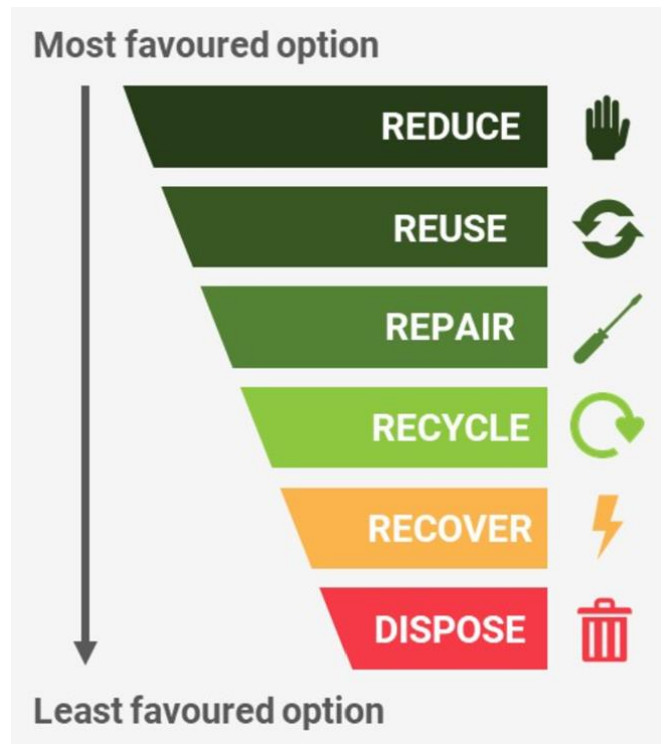
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Reduce, Reuse, Recycle



Activities

- ▶ Arrange a school visit to your local recycling centre,
- ▶ Ask your parents and teachers what can be recycled at home and school,
- ▶ Monitor the amount of waste that gets thrown away at home and school,
- ▶ Do a survey to see what is being thrown away and sift out what could be recycled.



Thank you for listening

Any Questions?