Rubbish and recycling

VOCABULARY BANK

1 RUBBISH: NOUNS AND PHRASAL VERBS

a Read the definitions for rubbish and waste. Then match the other nouns to their definitions.

nouns

bin/bin/ bin bag /bin bæg/ dustman /dastman/ landfill site /lændfil sait/ rubbish /rabij/ waste /weist/ waste-paper basket /weist 'peipa baskit/

- 1 rubbish things that you throw away because you don't want them any more (AmE garbage or trash)
- 2 waste materials that are not needed, and thrown away, e.g. industrial ~, toxic ~
- 3 _____ a container kept outside that you put rubbish in (also dustbin)
- 4 _____ a plastic bag which you put rubbish in and then throw away
- 5 _____ a small basket kept in a room where people throw away paper and small things
- 6 _____ the person whose job it is to take away the rubbish (also refuse collector, NAmE garbage collector)
- 7 _____ an area of land where large amounts of waste are covered with earth
- b (2)32)) Listen and check.
- Complete the sentences with a phrasal verb from the list.

phrasal verbs

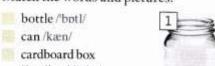
give away /grv ɔ'weɪ/ take away /teɪk ɔ'weɪ/ take out /teɪk 'aʊt/ throw away /θτου ɔ'weɪ/

- 2 Please could you ______ the rubbish? I did it yesterday.
- 3 I'm moving house in a few weeks, and I've decided to ______ a lot of books and clothes to a charity shop.
- 4 In many countries there are special containers for used glass and cardboard.

 People then come and ______ it _____ to be recycled.
- d (2)33)) Listen and check.

2 PACKAGING

a Match the words and pictures.



/ˈkɑːdboːd bɒks/ carton /ˈkɑːtn/

- 1 jar/d30:(r)/
- lid /lid/
 packet /'pækit/
- plastic bag /ˈplæstik bæg/ polystyrene tray /pɒliˈstairiːn trei/
- pot /'pot/ sell-by date /'sel bar dert/
- tin /tin/
 tub /tʌb/
 wrapper /ˈræpə/
- b (2)34)) Listen and check.
- c What kind of packaging is normally used for...?

yoghurt biscuits olives soft drinks sardines a washing machine ice cream milk

















3 THE PREFIX RE-

a Complete the sentences with a verb from the list.

reapply /ri:o'plat/ recycle /ri:'satkl/ reheat /ri:'hi:t/ replay /ri:'plet/ rethink /ri:'θιηk/ reuse /ri:'ju:z/

- 1 There's a bottle bank at the local supermarket where you can <u>recycle</u> all your glass bottles and jars.
- 2 Many supermarkets now charge extra for plastic bags. They prefer customers to have shopping bags which they can ______.
- 3 If you're not sure about the project, you should _____ the whole thing.
- 4 You can ______your dinner in the microwave.
- 5 They'll have to ______ the match next Saturday.
- 6 You should _____ sunscreen every hour if you have fair skin.
- b (2)35)) Listen and check.
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