

## Recycling true or false flashcards

This activity can

- Be carried out in pairs
- Be carried out as a class or group discussion
- Higher level learners can be given a set of blank flashcards for them to write their answers on and the reasons for their answers.

Extra activities

- Learners can research and create their own true or false quizzes
- Use this website to further explore recycling labels on packaging  
<https://www.recyclenow.com/recycling-knowledge/packaging-symbols-explained>

Material sourced from-

<https://www.wired.co.uk/article/recycling-myths-busted>

<https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/environment/rubbish-waste/waste-myth-buster-information/waste-and-recycling-myths-busted.aspx>



You have to clean empties (jars, for example) for them to be recycled properly.

True. You need to rinse them to get them as clean as possible.

Receipts are recyclable.

False. The UK still hands out 11 billion receipts every year and around 50% of these are printed on shiny, thermal paper. These are not recyclable.

This symbol means that something is recyclable



False. This doesn't mean the item is recyclable, it actually means that the company in question has financially contributed towards the recovery and recycling of packaging in Europe. To be sure an item is recyclable, it must say that this is the case.

Recycling one aluminium can saves enough energy to run a TV for four hours.

True.

Recycling uses more energy than it saves.

False. Up to 95% less energy is needed to make products using recycled materials. Your recycling helps to save valuable resources and protect the environment for our future.

Wet wipes contain plastic.

True! The majority of wet wipes typically contain plastic resins like polyester, polyethylene and polypropylene.

## Blank flashcards

