

Create Your Own Bins!

Have you ever engaged in a friendly debate with family or friends over which materials belong in your curbside Recology bins? The Recology Sorting game offers a fun, creative way to learn what goes into your curbside containers — all from the comfort of your own home! Follow the instructions below to create your very own mini bins, and sort materials from the list provided.

Materials:

- 1. Blank Recycling, Landfill, and Compost bin templates, printed
- 2. Sorting tiles, printed
- 3. Scissors
- 4. Tape or glue
- 5. Markers, crayons, colored pencils, or anything you already have at home to decorate the paper bins. Get creative! Googly eyes, puff paint, and stickers are *not* off the table here! Try to use materials you already have so that you aren't creating extra waste.





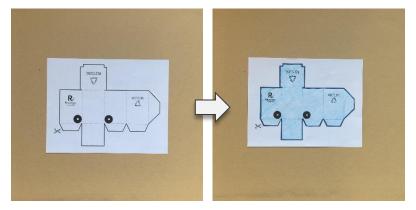
Instructions:

1. Start with the sorting tiles. Cut these out and set them aside.

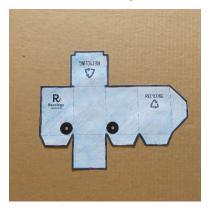




2. Next, move to the recycling bin. Color/decorate the bin however you'd like—get creative! Just note that using blue colors and decorations may help remind you that this is your **BLUE** bin.



3. Cut out the bin along the solid black lines.



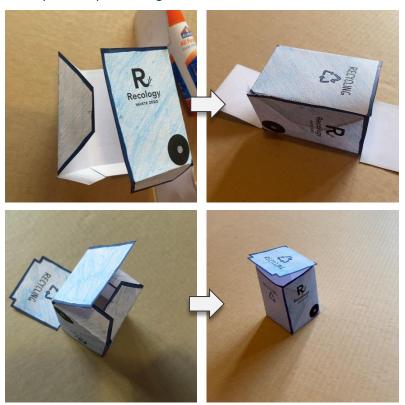
4. Fold along the dotted lines.



5. Glue or tape the flaps to match up by number.



The tapered flaps should go on the inside like so:



6. Repeat steps 2-5 for the landfill and compost bins. Try to color your bins according to how they appear at your home!



7. Try to sort the tiles into the correct bin.



8. Great job! Because recycling and composting programs vary by city, check whether you've sorted correctly by visiting Recology.com or WhatBin.com. Feel free to add your own sorting tiles; you can cut them from magazines or draw them yourself! Thanks for playing! This game makes for a fun activity with friends and family of all ages!



Sorting Tiles

