



2024 SCHOOL ECO-CHALLENGE

Part Two:

Waste Sorting Lesson

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**At School, we have 5 different bins
to choose from**



What do you think goes in to each bin?



1. What goes into the Compost bin?






- Food Scraps, such as: apple cores, banana peels, leftover sandwiches, etc.
- Food soiled paper: pizza boxes, paper towel, tea bags, and paper coffee cups (wax free)



2. What goes into the Mixed Recycling bin?



- Clean, uncontaminated #1, 2, and 5 plastic containers. To check, look at the bottom of the container for one of these logos:   
This includes most plastic food containers
- Aluminum cans, cardboard, magazine, plastic milk jugs, tetra paks, craft paper etc

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3. What goes into the Paper bin?



- You guessed it- paper **ONLY!**
- Loose leaf paper, printer paper

4. What goes into the Refundables bin?



- anything that can be returned at the depot for a refund.
- This includes: juice boxes & pouches, pop cans, water bottles, glass drinking bottles, milk cartons, etc



5. What goes into the Garbage bin?



- The garbage bin should be the last resort- only items that cannot go into a compost or recycling bin end up here!
- Soft plastics such as chip bags, wrappers, plastic bags and zip lock bags
- Plastic utensils and straws
- Pencil shavings

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Activity:

As a class, create a poster that can be put up on the wall in your classroom/hallway detailing what trash goes in each bin.

If you have any questions about waste sorting in Mission Schools, please contact info@messociety.ca