

Pre and Post Recycling Quiz – Correct answers highlighted in yellow

1. On a scale of 1 (not at all) to 5 (very), how important do you think it is to recycle?
2. How often do you place acceptable items in the recycling bins on campus?
  - Never
  - Sometimes
  - Most of the time
  - Always
3. If you don't always recycle, what gets in the way of doing so? (select all that apply)
  - I'm not sure what should go in the recycling bins.
  - I forget or just don't think about recycling.
  - I don't think recycling is really that important.
  - It takes too much effort to recycle.
  - I don't have time to recycle.
  - I don't think it makes much of a difference if I recycle.
  - I'm not sure the items in the recycling bins actually get recycled.
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Only certain items are acceptable to place in the recycling bins on campus. How confident are you in knowing what items should go in the recycling bins?
  - I have no clue what should go in the recycling bins.
  - I kind of know what should go in the recycling bins, but am not very sure.
  - I feel pretty good about knowing what should go in the recycling bins.
  - I definitely know what should go in the recycling bins.
5. If you don't know whether an item is acceptable to place in the recycling bin, what should you do with it?
  - Put it in the recycling bin anyway.
  - Throw it in the trash.
6. What happens when unacceptable items are placed in a recycling bin?
  - The bins are contaminated and waste collectors will throw all of the contents in the trash.
  - Waste management professionals will sort through and pick out the unacceptable items at the recycling facility.
7. That pizza went fast! What should you do with the box and plastic pizza saver (i.e. that tiny three-legged table)?
  - Recycle the clean parts of the pizza box (free of grease and food) and the plastic pizza saver.
  - Recycle the clean parts of the pizza box. Throw away the plastic saver.
  - Throw away the whole pizza box and the plastic saver.
  - Recycle the plastic saver. Throw away the whole pizza box.

8. Done with lunch? Which items can be placed in the recycling bin (as long as they are empty)? (select all that apply)
- Plastic straw
  - Styrofoam cup
  - Plastic fork
  - Plastic cup and lid
  - Paper cup
  - Paper bag
  - Plastic food wrapper
  - Plastic bag
  - Soda can
  - Plastic water bottle
  - Dirty paper plate
  - Napkin
  - Yogurt cup
9. After you sip that last drip of coffee, what should you do with the paper cup, cardboard sleeve, and plastic lid?
- Recycle the cup and sleeve. Trash the lid.
  - Recycle the cup, sleeve, and lid.
  - Recycle the sleeve only.
  - Trash all of it.
10. Thanks for the care package, Mom! Which of the following shipping items should be placed in the recycling bin? (select all that apply)
- Cardboard box
  - Packing peanuts
  - Bubble wrap
  - Air pillows
  - Packing paper (e.g. Kraft, newsprint)
11. Which of the following glass items can be placed in the recycling bin?
- Clear bottles and jars only
  - All colors of bottles and jars
  - Brown and green bottles only
  - All colors of bottles, jars, and drinking glasses
12. Which of the following paper items should go in the recycling bin? (select all that apply)
- Cereal box
  - Toilet paper tube
  - Loose-leaf paper
  - Spiral notebook
  - Magazine

- Paper bag
- Paper cup
- Receipt
- Office paper and envelope
- Post-it note
- Photograph

13. Which plastic items should go in the recycling bin?

- Bottles, bags, and plastic wrap/film
- Bottles, jugs, tubs, and cups with lids attached
- Bottles, jugs, tubs, and clamshells; no lids
- Bottles, tubs, bags, takeout containers, cups and straws

14. Got milk? Or juice or wine or soup in a carton? What should you do with the empty carton?

- Rinse out the carton and place it in the recycling bin. Throw the lid away.
- Throw the whole thing away.
- Rinse out the carton, reattach the lid, and recycle the whole thing.
- Recycle the lid. Throw the carton away.

15. Which metal items should go in the recycling bin? (select all that apply)

- Aluminum cans
- Aluminum foil
- Steel cans and lids
- Clothes hangers
- Empty aerosol cans (with lids and tips removed)

16. Which Styrofoam items should go in the recycling bin?

- Fast food cups and containers
- Packing Styrofoam
- White Styrofoam only
- No Styrofoam items are acceptable

17. Before placing acceptable items into recycling bins, what should you do? (select all that apply)

- Bag like items together.
- Empty and rinse out containers.
- Remove labels.
- Break down cardboard boxes.

18. Which of the following statements about recycling bags is not true?

- Plastic bags should never go in the recycling bins on campus; they can get tangled up in the recycling facility's machinery.
- You should place all your recyclables in a bag before putting them in a recycling bin on campus.

- The only bags that should go in the recycling bins on campus are empty paper bags that are free of grease and debris.
- Plastic bags, including grocery bags and clean sandwich baggies, can be dropped off at Kroger or Meijer for recycling.

19. Batteries and other e-waste should not be thrown in the trash or recycling bin, as they can be hazardous. Where can you dispose of them? (select all that apply)

- Cincinnati Recycling & Reuse Hub
- Batteries Plus Bulbs
- Cohen Recycling
- Search for upcoming e-waste recycling drop-off events held around the city