



## Waste audit sheet

How much waste does your home or classroom generate? Let's do a waste audit and find out.

Start by using gloves and tipping the contents of your bins onto newspaper or a tarp.  
Now sort the waste into the different categories, count the items and complete the table.

| Type of waste       | How many pieces? | Weight (optional) | Most common item |
|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Food waste          |                  |                   |                  |
| Garden waste        |                  |                   |                  |
| Other organic waste |                  |                   |                  |
| Paper/cardboard     |                  |                   |                  |
| Soft plastics       |                  |                   |                  |
| Rigid plastics      |                  |                   |                  |
| Metals              |                  |                   |                  |
| Glass               |                  |                   |                  |
| General waste       |                  |                   |                  |
| Other:              |                  |                   |                  |
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| Other:              |                  |                   |                  |

What are the three most common items in your bin?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

What could you do differently or use as an alternative to this item to reduce waste?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

Tip: Remember to sort the waste into to correct bins at the end and wash your hands.