

# Help us get to zero waste!

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**This book belongs to**

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**I learned about zero waste on**

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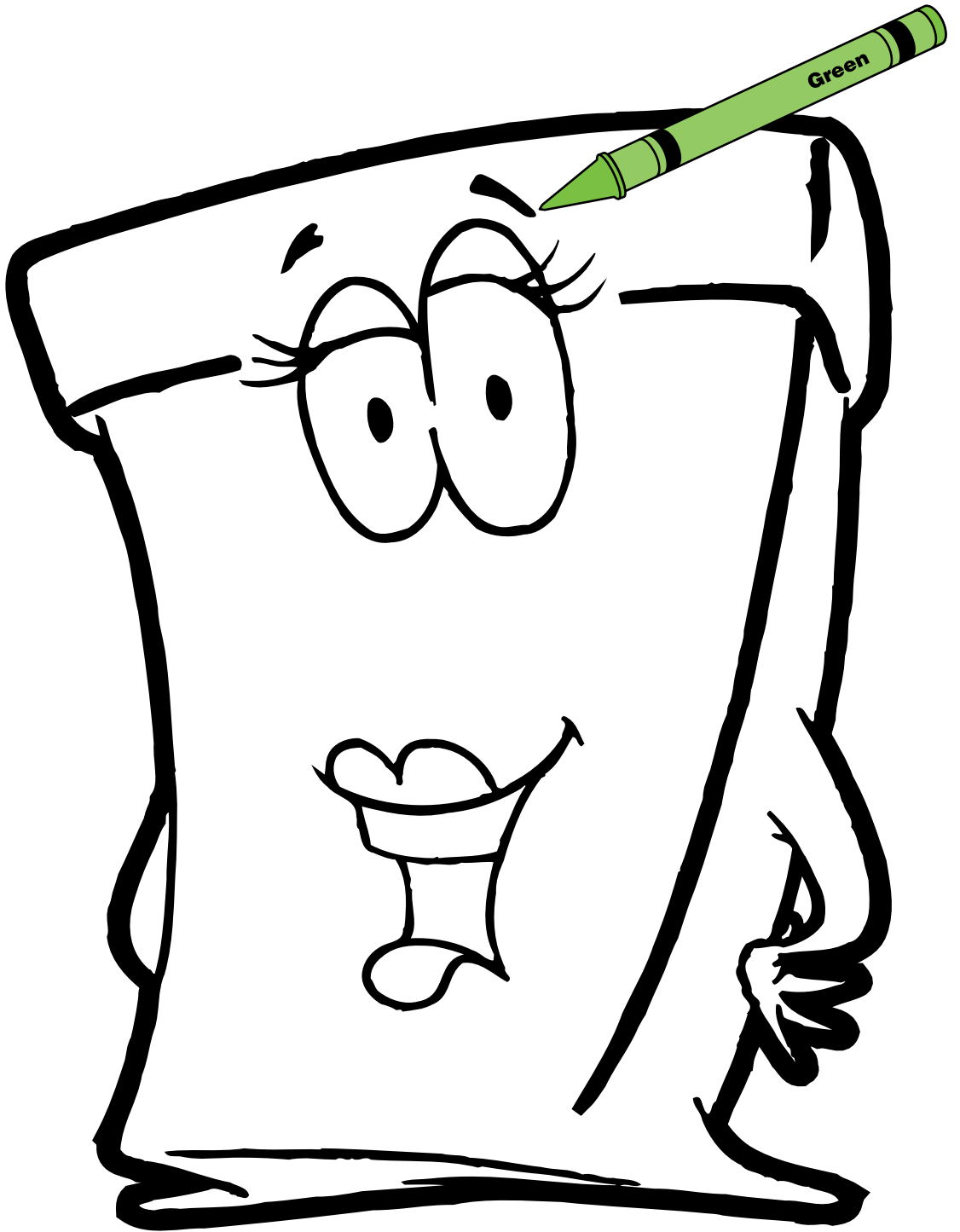
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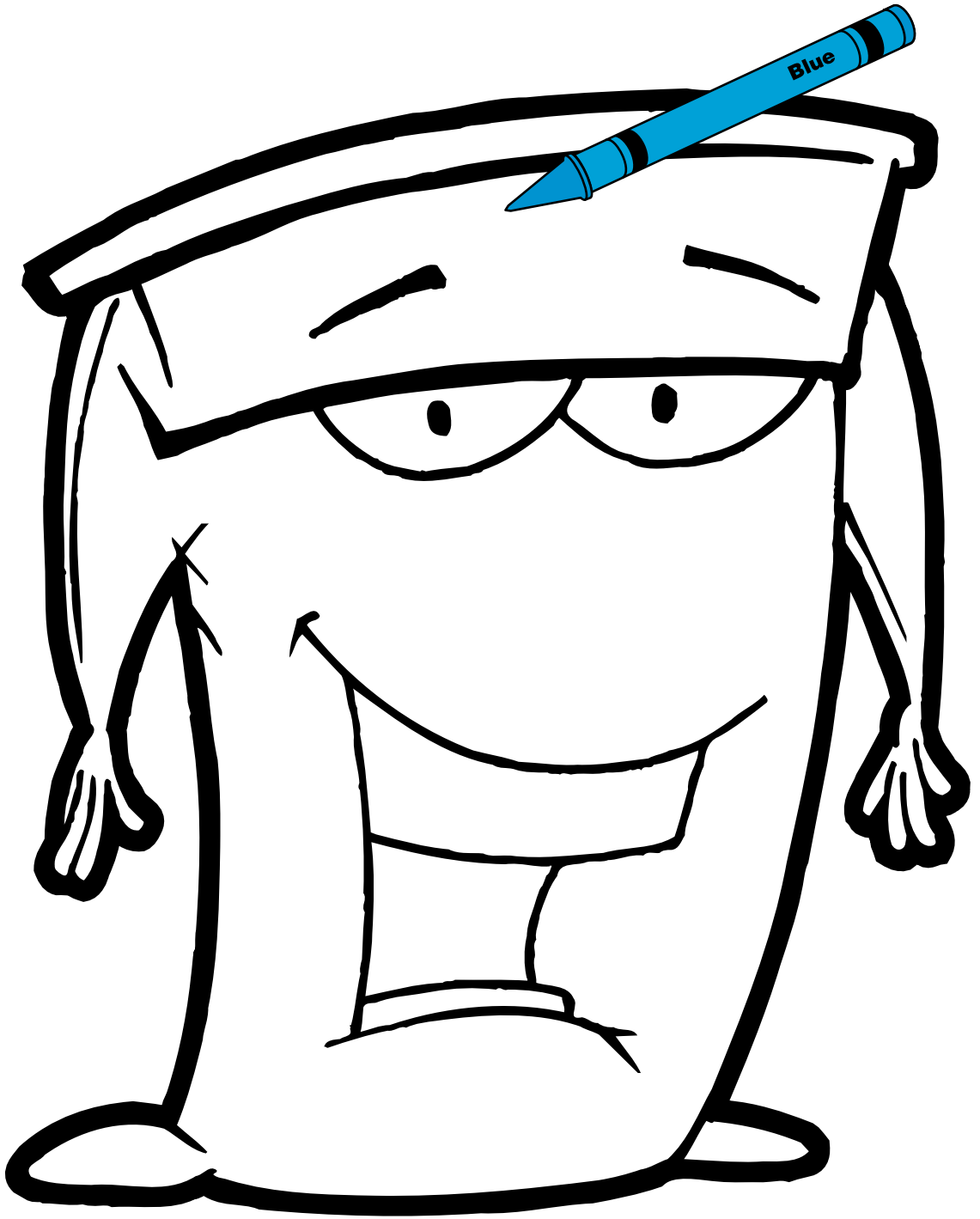
**My goal is to send zero waste  
to landfills by 2030!**

**You can help by recycling all  
of the items in this book.**



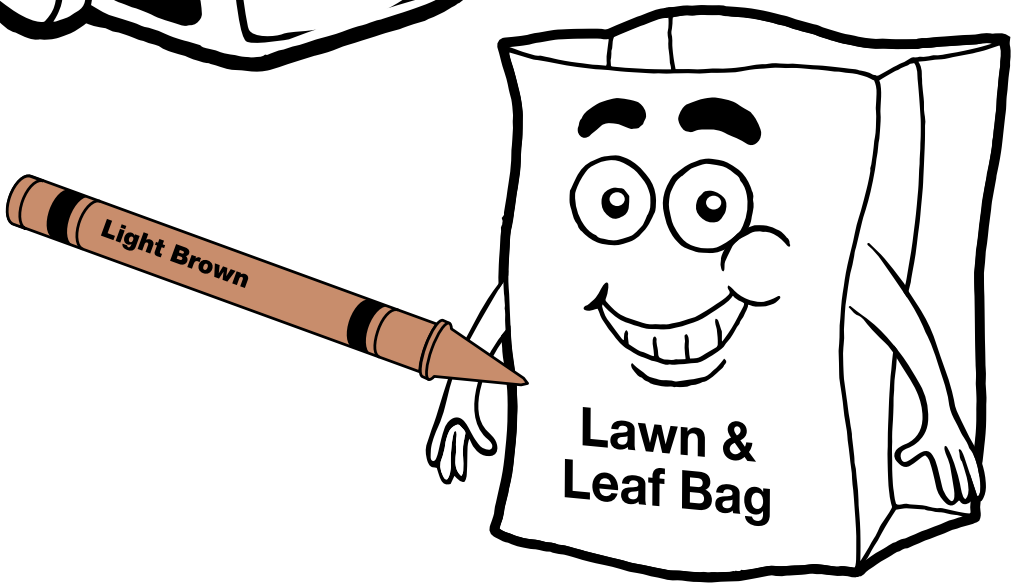
**I'm for mixed paper  
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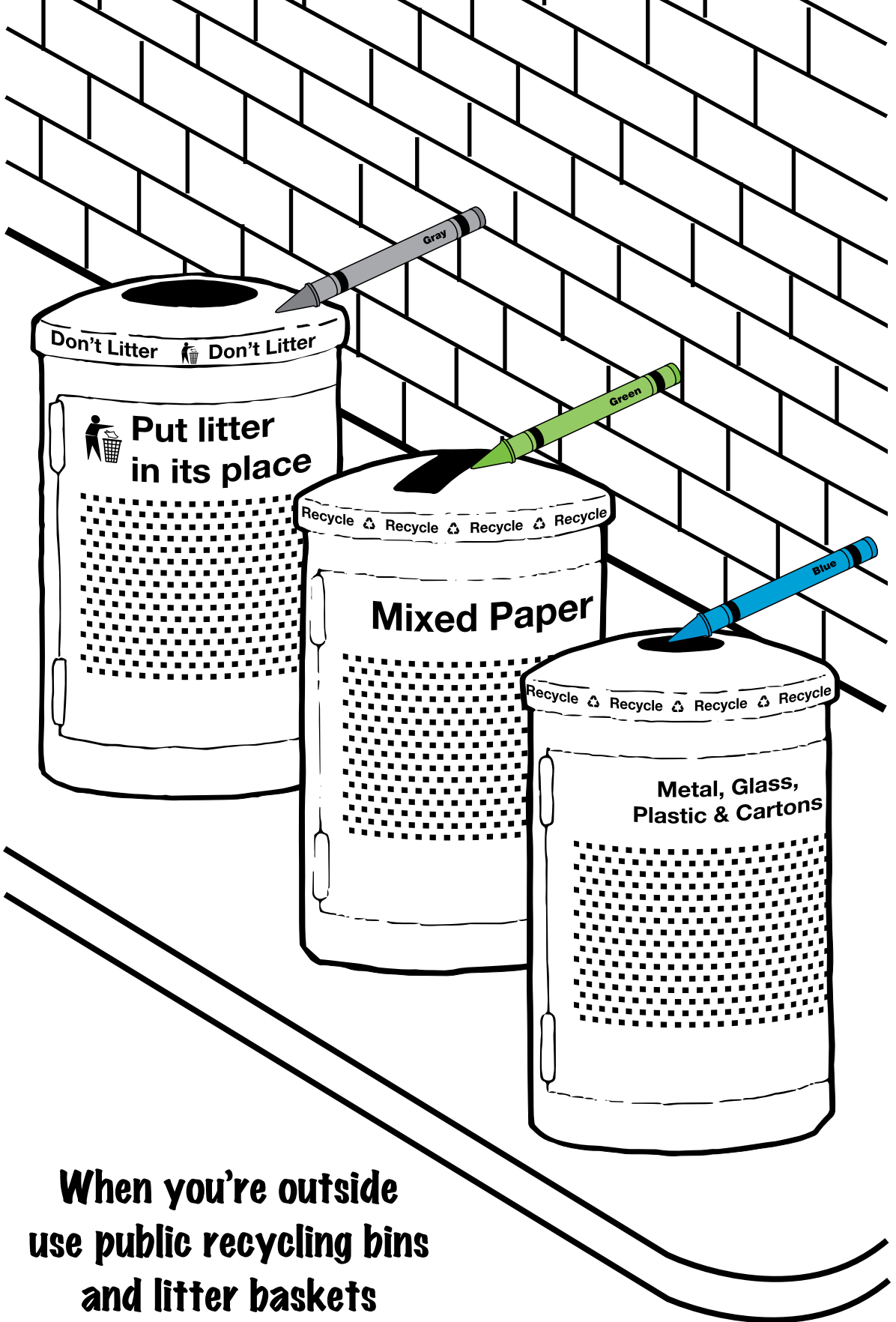
**I'm for metal, glass bottles & jars, rigid plastic, and cartons.**



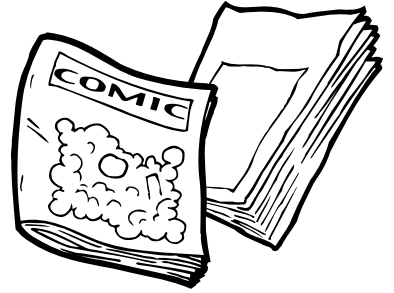


**We're for food scraps,  
food-soiled paper,  
and yard waste  
(called organic waste).**

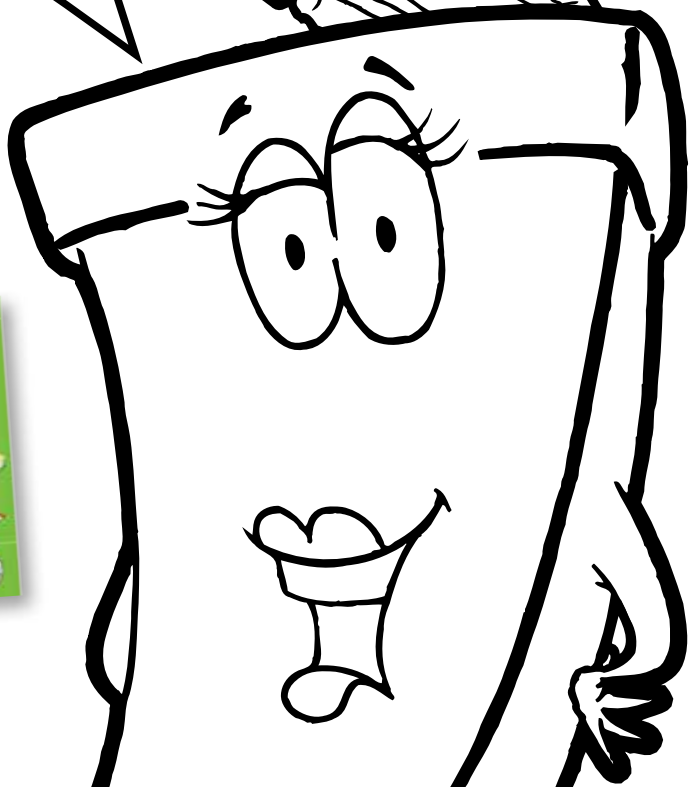




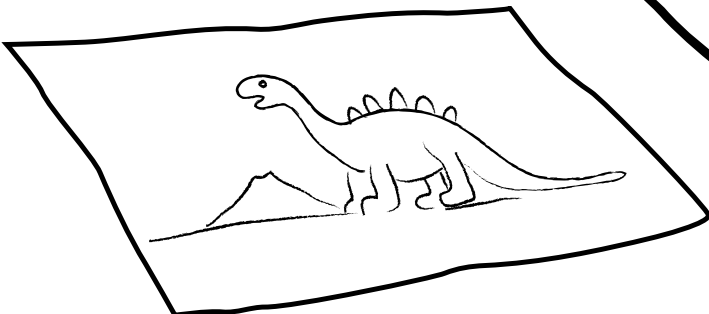
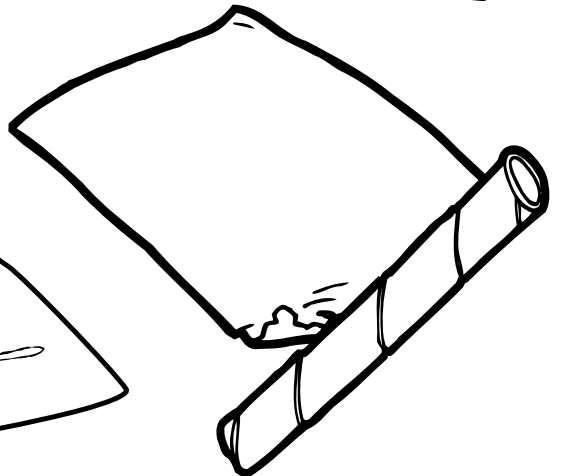
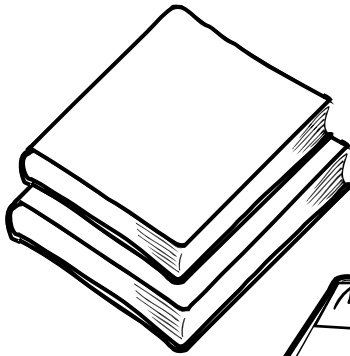
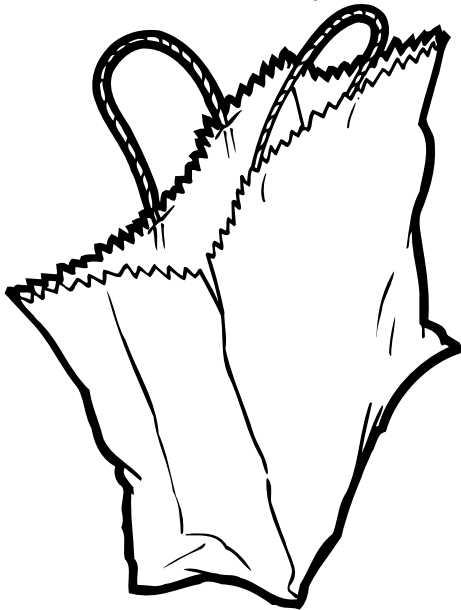
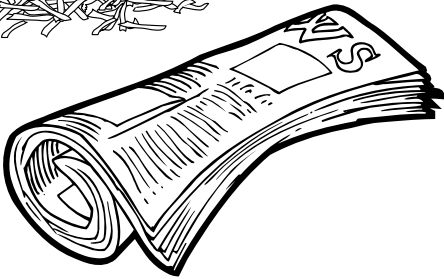
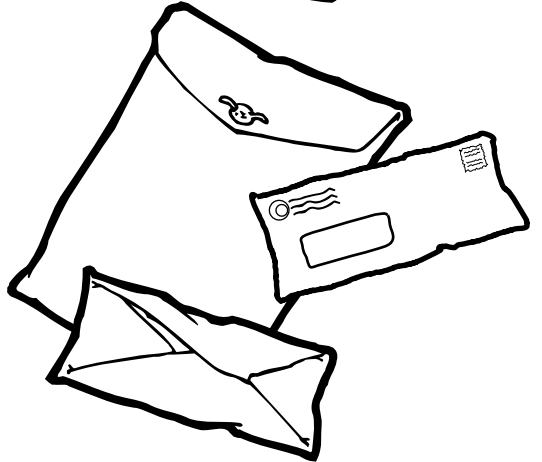
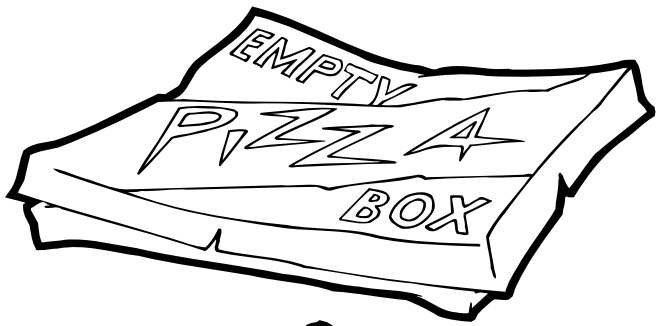
**When you're outside  
use public recycling bins  
and litter baskets  
— never litter!**

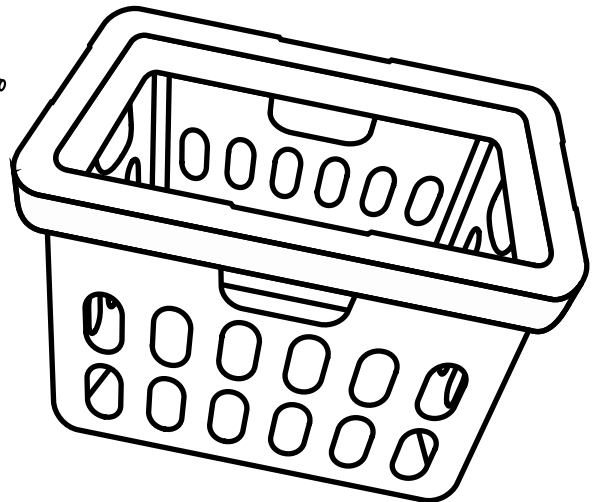
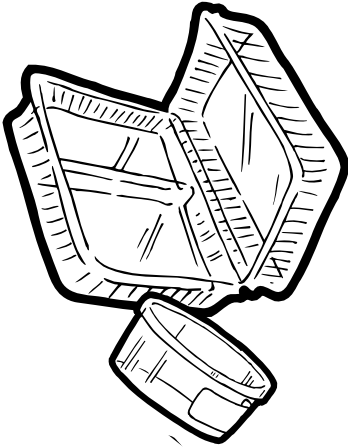
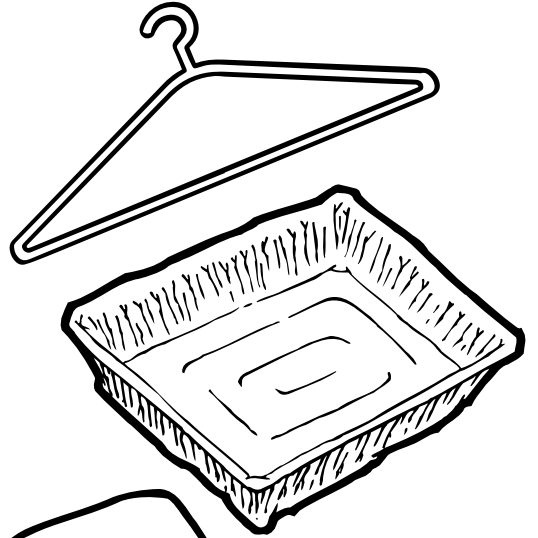
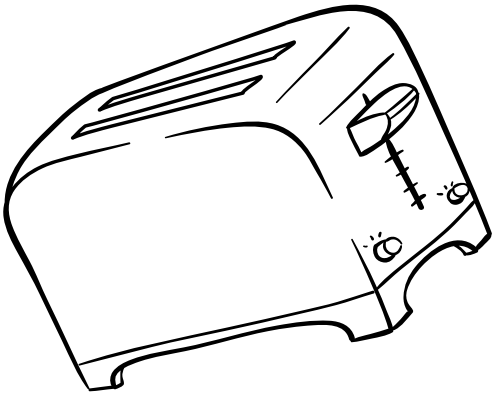


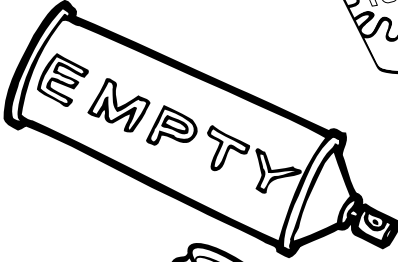
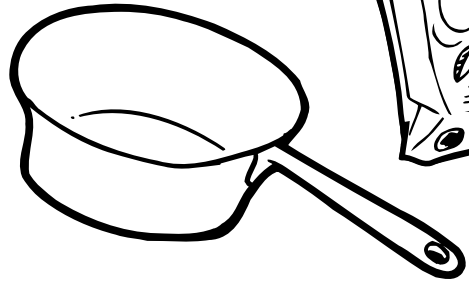
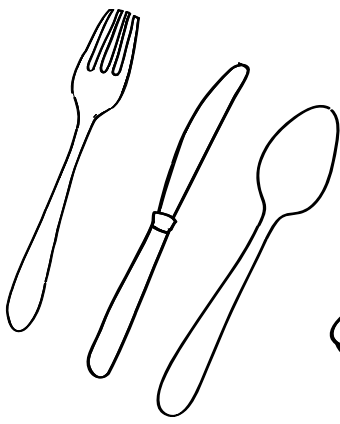
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recycle all  
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**GREEN-labeled**  
bin.



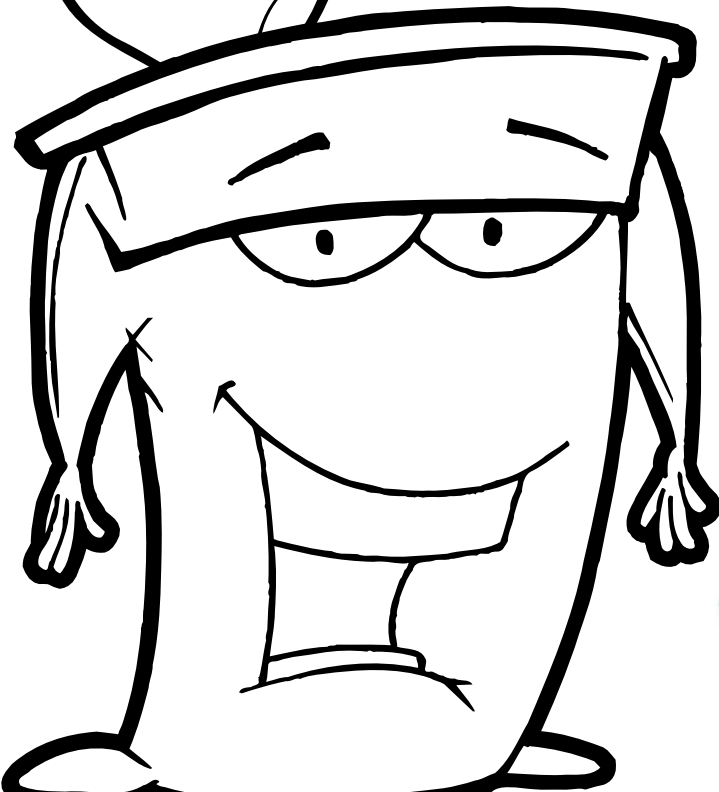
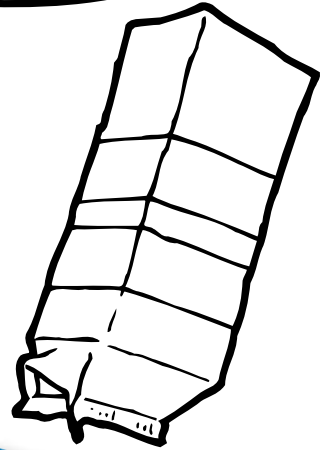
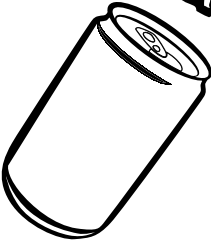




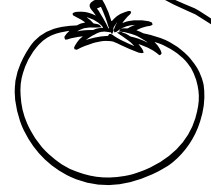
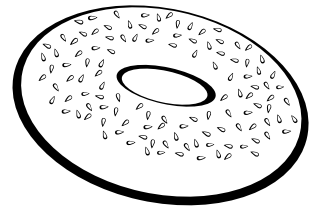
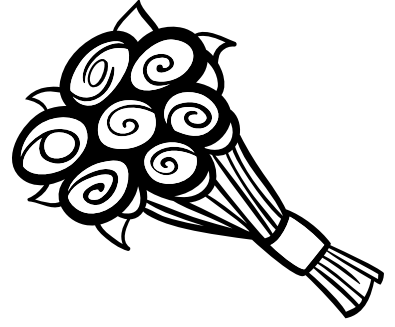


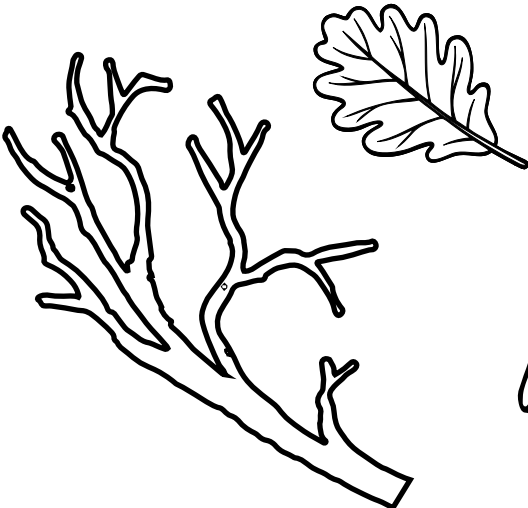
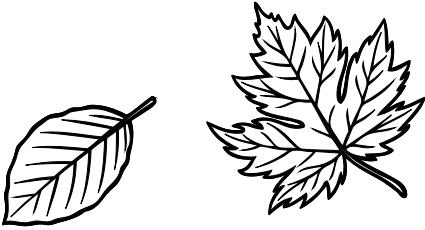
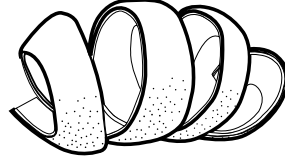
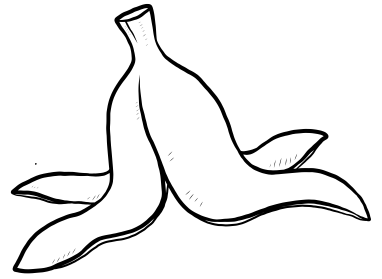
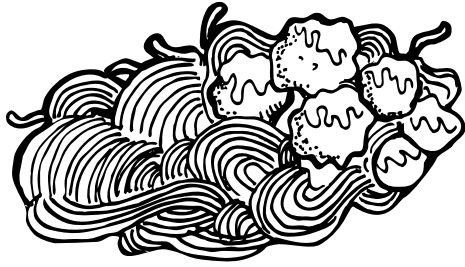
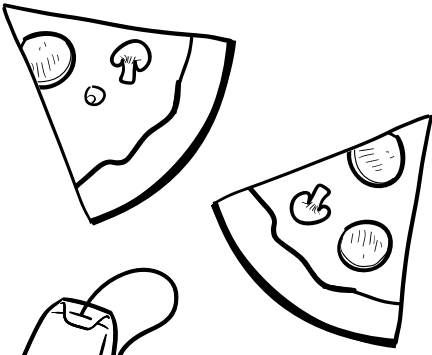


You can  
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**BLUE**-labeled  
bin.

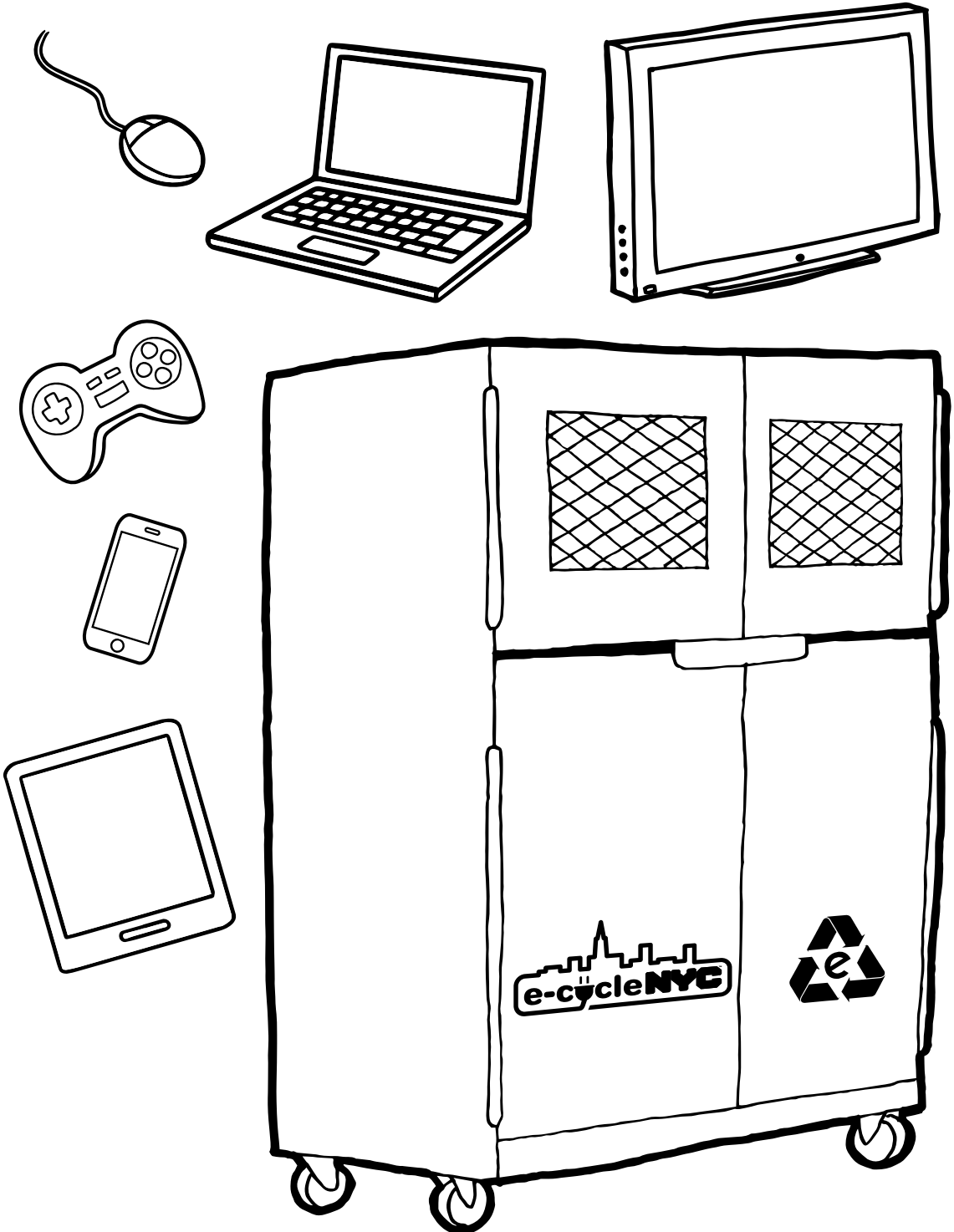


If you live in a participating area, you can recycle all these in my **BROWN** bin...

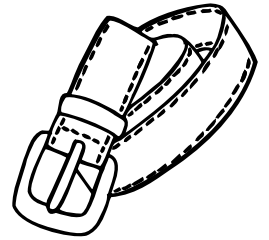
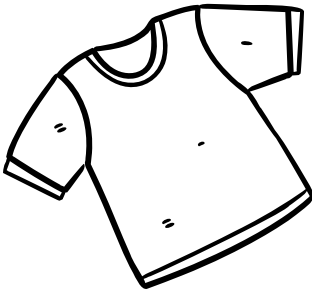




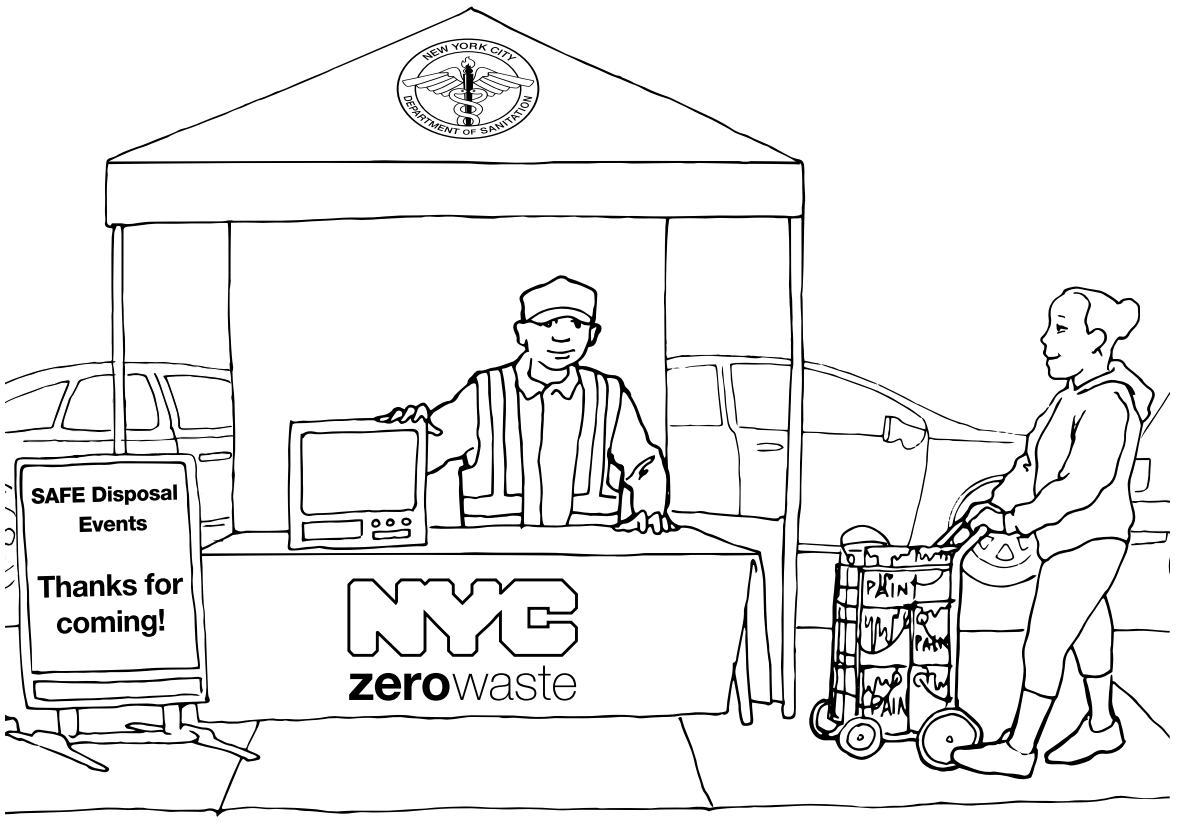
# Recycle electronics with e-cycleNYC!



# Recycle clothes with re-fashionNYC!

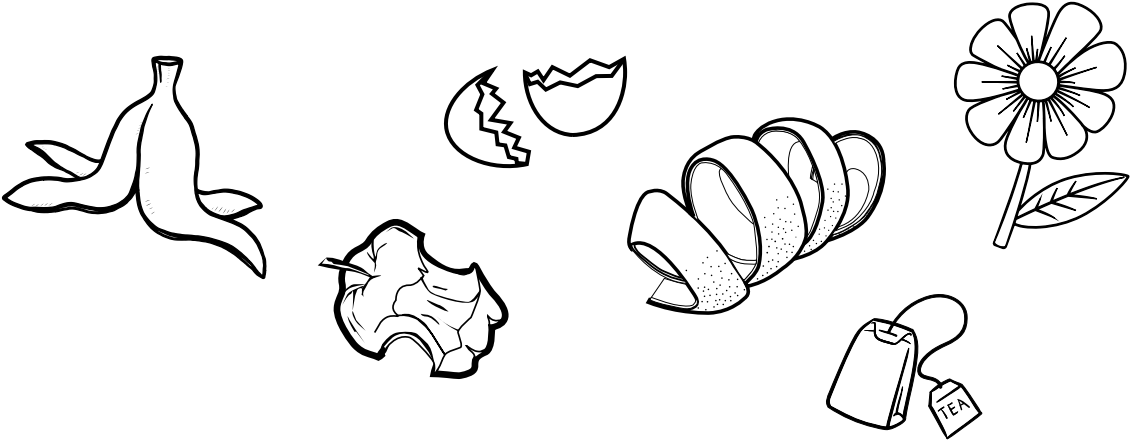


# Recycle dangerous materials at a SAFE Disposal Event!

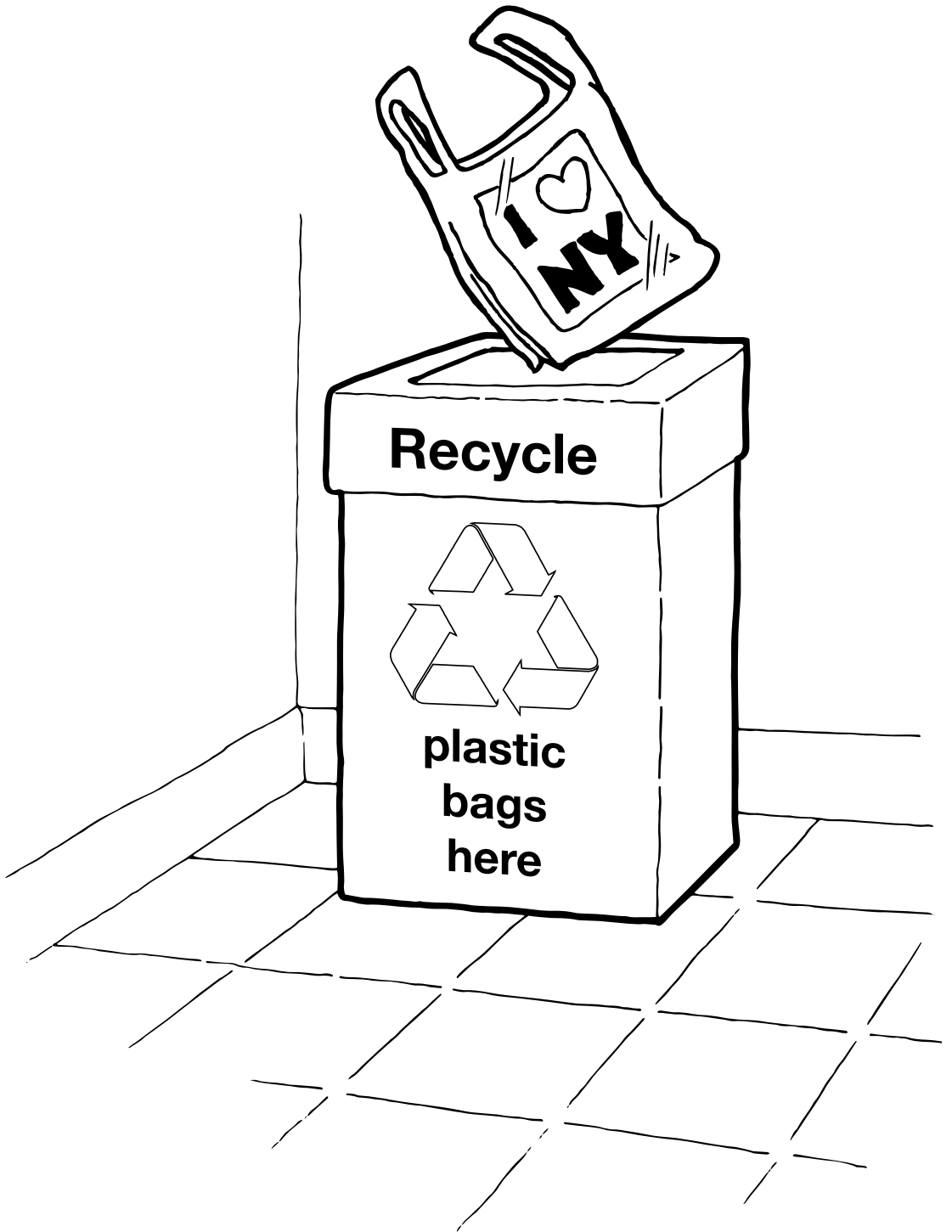




# Bring food scraps to a Drop-Off Site!

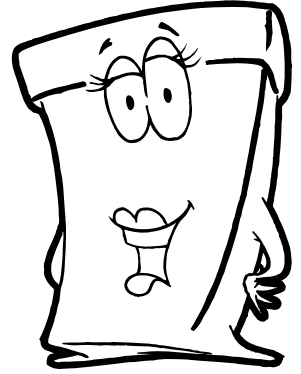
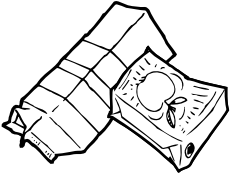


**Bring plastic bags  
to local stores!**

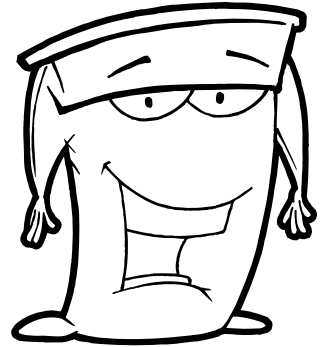


# Which goes where?

Draw a line to match the object with the correct bin!



**GREEN bin**



**BLUE bin**



**BROWN bin**

**ANSWERS:** Beverage Cartons—Blue Bin; Apple—Brown Bin; Plastic Take Out Container—Blue Bin; Comic Book—Green Bin; Chicken Bone—Brown Bin; Cans—Blue Bin; Milk Container—Blue Bin; Leaf—Brown Bin; Newspaper—Green Bin

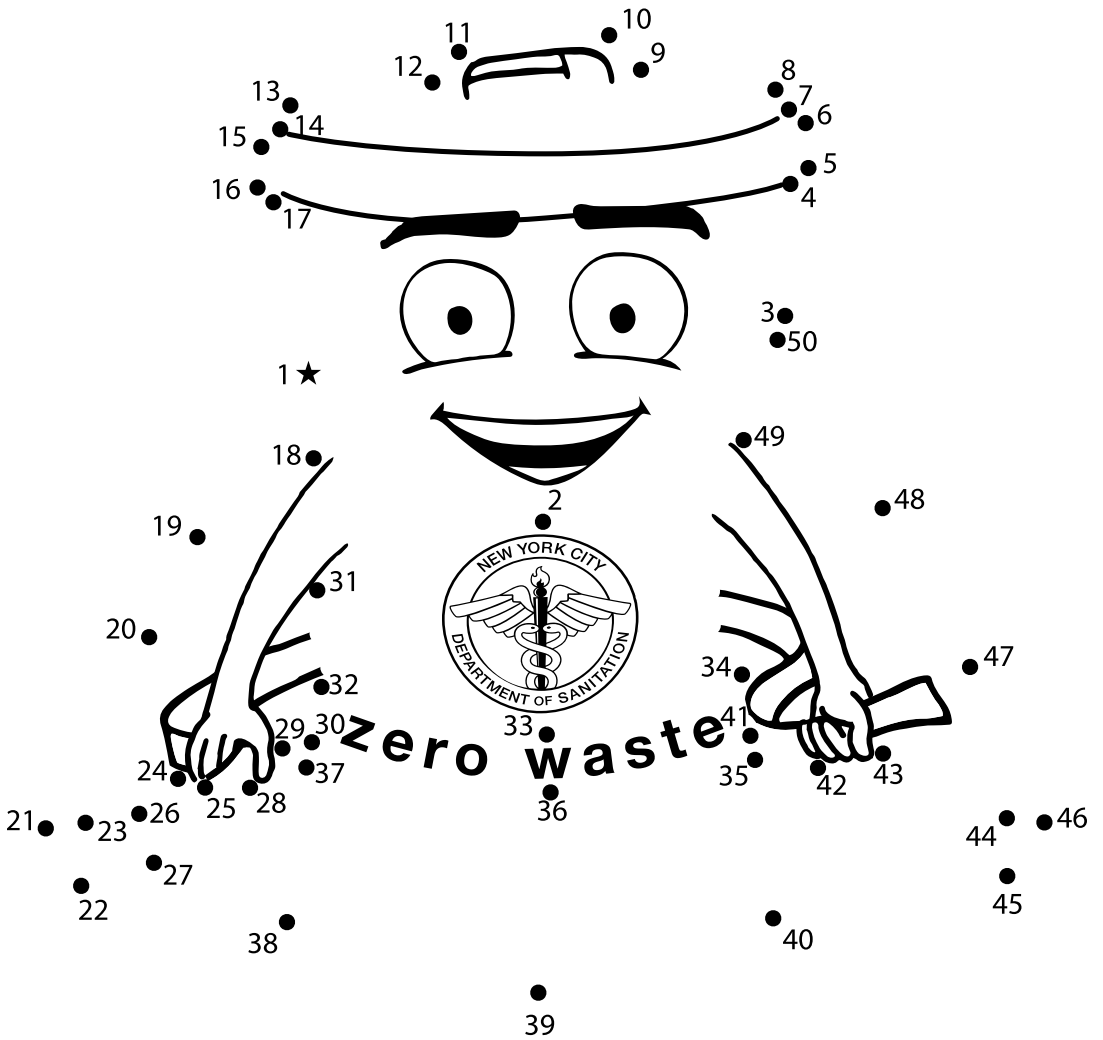
# Guess who!

Make your own recycling bin!



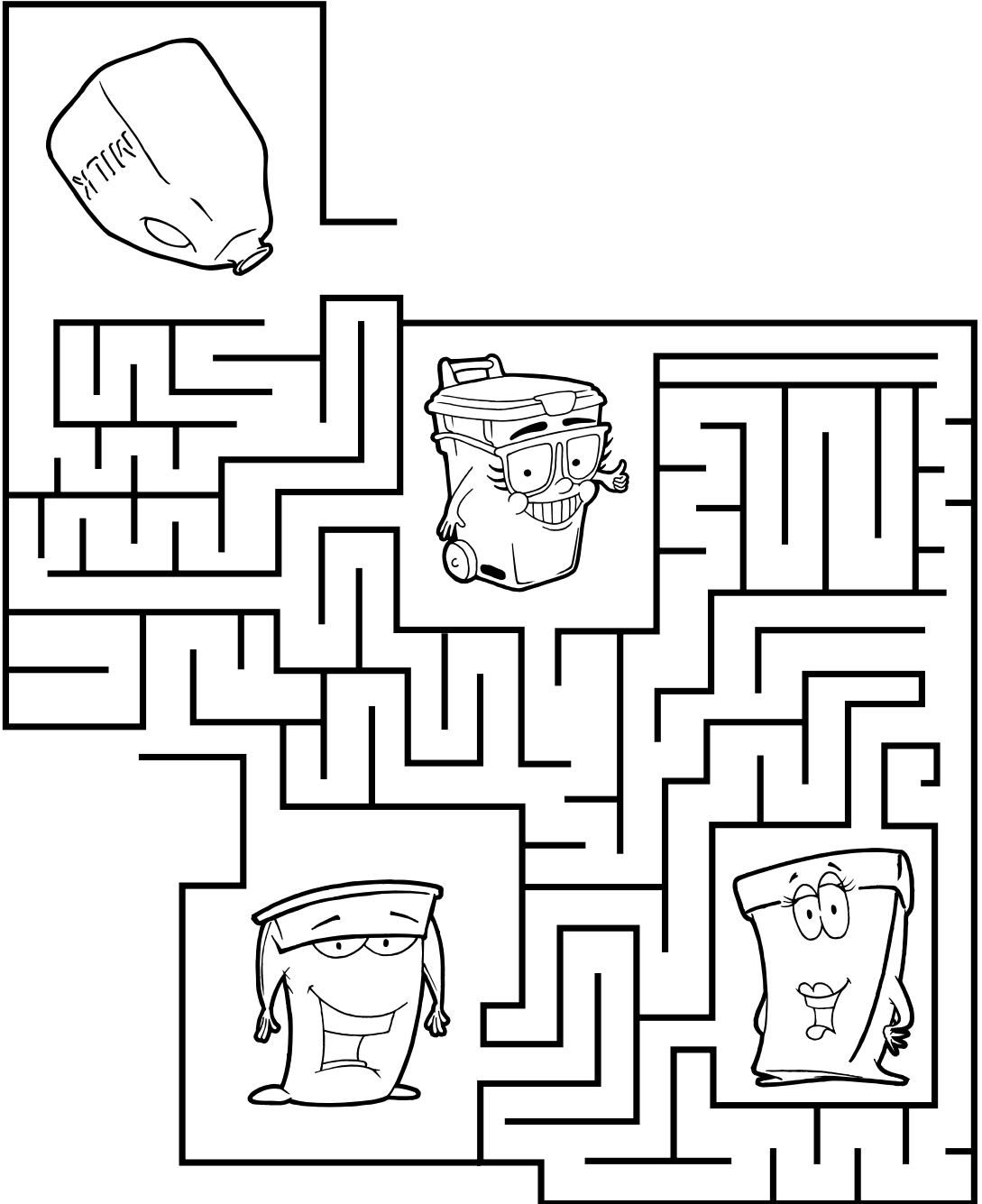
# Guess who!

He's a superhero!



# I'm lost!

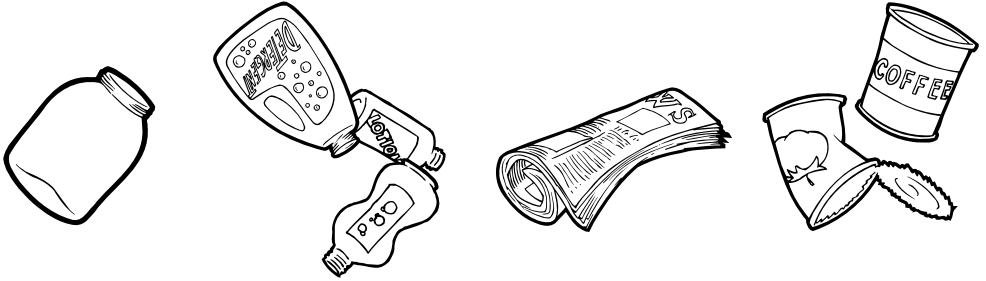
Help the empty milk container find its way to the right recycling bin.



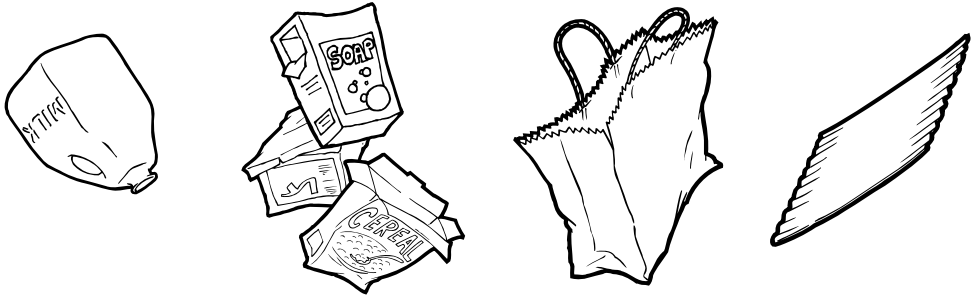
# Which one doesn't belong?

Draw an X over the item that doesn't belong with the others.

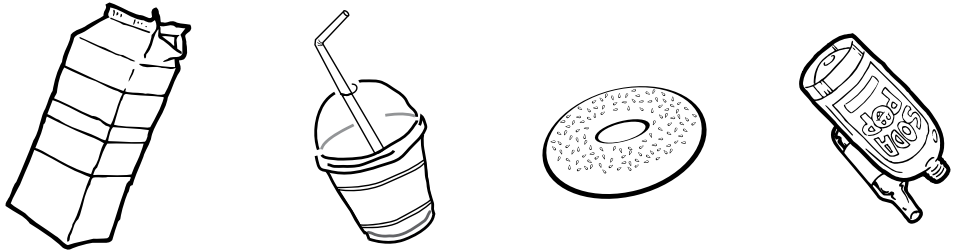
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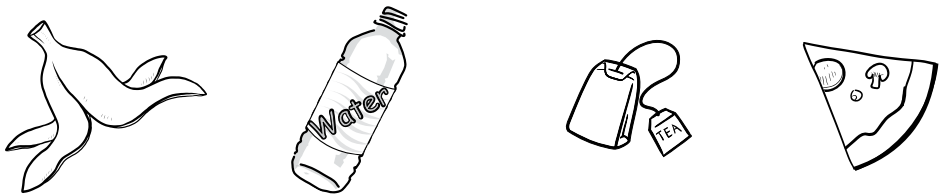
2.



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4.



ANSWERS: 1. Newspaper; 2. Milk Container; 3. Bagel; 4. Water Bottle

# How To Recycle

Recycling is the law in NYC. Ask your building manager where to bring recyclables.

This sticker pertains to NYC residents, government agencies, schools, and institutions serviced by the Department of Sanitation.

## Mixed Paper



## Cardboard



**No** hardcover books; waxed, soiled, or soft paper

Flatten and bundle or bag boxes. Staples and window envelopes ok. Put in clear bags, in any bin labeled MIXED PAPER & CARDBOARD, or in any bin with green decal.

## Metal



## Rigid Plastic



## Glass

bottles & jars



## Cartons



**No** batteries, plastic bags, squeeze tubes & pouches, or plastic foam

Empty and rinse containers before recycling. Caps & lids ok. Put in clear bags, in any bin labeled METAL, GLASS, PLASTIC & CARTONS, or in any bin with blue decal.

Certain items can't or shouldn't go in the trash or recycling; see [nyc.gov/zerowaste](http://nyc.gov/zerowaste) for donations and other disposal options.

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**Cut out and hang up this checklist so everyone in your family knows what to recycle in NYC!**