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Paper recycling quiz

How much you know about paper recycling? Try this quick quiz - you will probably need to guess for some answers. The answers are printed upside down at the bottom of sheet 2.

- 1 What percentage of household waste was paper or card in the UK in 2004?
 - a 11%
 - b 18%
 - c 25%
 - d 33%
- 2 Every tonne of paper recycled saves enough electricity to power an average 3-bedroom house for:
 - a a week
 - b a month
 - c 3 months
 - d a year
- 3 How many times can a piece of paper be recycled?
 - a twice
 - b 4 - 6 times
 - c 8 - 10 times
 - d an unlimited number of times
- 4 How many thousand tonnes of newsprint was used in the UK in 2005?
 - a 2,565
 - b 8,743
 - c 12,516
 - d 14,833
- 5 Which sort of paper is easiest to recycle?
 - a brown envelopes with windows
 - b coloured tissue paper
 - c newspapers
 - d white office paper
- 6 What percentage of waste paper and cardboard was recovered for recycling in the UK in 2006?
 - a 16%
 - b 34%
 - c 64%
 - d 75%



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7 What percentage of recycled paper did a typical British newspaper contain in 2004?

- a 45%
- b 53%
- c 64%
- d 72%

8 Imagine none of the paper used in Britain was recycled. How many trees would we then need to cut down every year to make a fresh supply of paper every year?

- a a forest as big as London
- b a forest as big as Yorkshire
- c a forest as big as Wales
- d a forest as big as Scotland

9 What is the best way to reduce the amount of paper that has to be buried in rubbish dumps?

- a use less paper in the first place
- b throw it in the bin
- c collect it separately for recycling
- d burn it to release energy

10 How much do the newspapers bought by an average British person every year weigh?

- a 15 kg
- b 27 kg
- c 38 kg
- d 45 kg

1 = b (18%), 2 = c (3 months), 3 = b (4-6 times), 4 = a (2,565), 5 = d (white office paper), 6 = c (64%), 7 = d (72%), 8 = c (a forest as big as Wales), 9 = a (use less paper in the first place), 10 = c (38kg)