

## Lesson 3: Focus on Recycle eCycle Answer Key

### Focus on Recycle eCycle: Recycling Challenge

Today as natural resources become scarcer and manufacturing costs rise, recycling is more important than ever. But does everyone recycle? See if you can match these products with the recycling fact that describes them.

1. Direct Mail (c) ✓ Accounts for 2.2 percent of the total municipal solid waste generated in this country each year.
2. Phone books (h) ✓ If you recycle 500 of these, you could save between 17 and 31 trees, 587 pounds of air pollution and 4,077 kilowatt hours of energy.
3. Computers (b) ✓ 130,000 of these get thrown out every day in the US.
4. Television (d) ✓ Only 18% of these are recycled.
5. Plastic bottles (a) ✓ Americans discard 38 billion of these every year.
6. Yogurt containers (f) ✓ Can be recycled into signal lights, battery cables, brushes, brooms, ice scrapers and bicycle racks.
7. Glass bottles (j) ✓ Energy savings from recycling just one of these can power a computer for 25 minutes.
8. Aluminum cans (g) ✓ On average, Americans use one of these every day but only recycle half of what we use.
9. Steel cans (i) ✓ The most recycled packaging product in America.
10. Cardboard boxes (e) ✓ More than 90% of products are shipped in these.