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Project #2

“Research Project”

The research topic I'm choosing is how to recycle better, recycling 101. A lot of people assume that just because an item has a recycle symbol it's recyclable, but sometimes it's only a portion of that bottle that is recyclable. Only about half of consumer packaging in the U.S. ends up being recycled, and the rest ends up as litter or in a landfill. In general, Much of the plastic used in packaging isn't marked for recycling. However, I want to give a recycling 101 informative website educating people about the challenges, recycling basics, etc.

With recycling “The Green Dot” doesn't guarantee the product is recyclable or even made from recycled material. Symbols and messages on the labels differ from pack to pack, as does the amount of unnecessary packaging. Many items we assume are 100% paper and recyclable in our paper bins, are not. For example, coffee cups (plastic lid removed of course) are rarely 100% paper.