

TRASH, THE WORLD AND ME

In Italy, we produce about 30 million tonnes of trash, 500 kg for person every year. Near our city, there are 5 Rubbish Dumps: "Azienda Rifiuti Alessandria", the "Cosmo Spa" and the "Waste Italia Spa".

I think my area is clean, and my neighbourhood is relatively clean. People, in our opinion, sometimes don't use bins because it's easier to throw away rubbish on the ground, but some people use bins because they're worried about their health. We should put up more signs reminding people to use the bins. In our house, we have some different bins: glass, paper, plastic and metal; they're located in the kitchen and in the garden. At home, we also have waste from batteries and food. Every year, an estimated 500 to 1000 billion plastic bags are used; 200 billion plastic bottles, 1 billion plastic bags and 58 billion disposable cups.

In the 90's they began to develop a greater awareness of environmental issues, but they haven't managed to solve the problem of production, collection, disposal and recycling of waste yet. The first separate collection activities in Italy relate to glass. In the late '80s, the service was extended to paper, aluminum and plastic cans, but it's only from the 90s that it started to spread,

adding the collection of batteries and medicines.
In our school we're making a project about recycling paper and plastic; we are doing it with interest and commitment.

The first photo is the grocery shop in the film we saw, the second one shows our grocery in Valenza



Some similarities between them are the separation of the products and expiration date of food. I think the main differences are that the first one is cleaner than the

second one while the second picture is dirty and on the ground there are plastic bottles or plastic gloves used for picking fruit and vegetables.