

Smart litter bin

Litter can harm animals and the environment. Can you use your coding skills to help protect nature?

Challenge 1: Design a smart bin that uses the micro:bit to detect when rubbish is added and shows how much has been collected. Use a swing top bin or box with a flap.

Challenge 2: Create a micro:bit app for a litter pick that tracks the amount and type of rubbish. Reward the user for helping clean up!

```
on start
  set recycling to 0
```

```
on shake
  change recycling by 1
```

```
forever
  show number recycling
```



```
on button A+B pressed
  set recycling to 0
```

This code works for the swing top bin / box with flap. Use A and B button inputs for a litter pick. E.g. Press A for recyclables and Press B for non-recyclables.

```
on button A pressed
  change Recyclables by 1
```

```
on button B pressed
  change non-recyclables by 1
```

Extra challenge: Adapt this code to reward people for using the recycling bin or litter pickers for reaching a target. Turn it into a competition. When the litter picker reaches 20 items, a sound alerts them that they have met their target. How else could you encourage litter to be put the bin for recycling?

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Here is the code for a bin that rewards users with music when the bin reaches a recycling collection goal!

```

forever
  show number Recycling ▼

on start
  set Recycling ▼ to 0
  set goal ▼ to 5

on shake ▼
  change Recycling ▼ by 1

on button A+B ▼ pressed
  set Recycling ▼ to 0

forever
  if Recycling ▼ ≥ goal ▼ then
    play melody ringtone ▼ until done ▼
    pause (ms) 5000
    set goal ▼ to goal ▼ + 5
  +
  if Recycling ▼ ≥ goal ▼ then
    play melody ringtone ▼ until done ▼
    pause (ms) 5000
    set goal ▼ to goal ▼ + 5
  +
  if Recycling ▼ ≥ goal ▼ then
    play melody ringtone ▼ until done ▼
    pause (ms) 5000
    set goal ▼ to goal ▼ + 5
  +

```

Design Challenge: Design a bin for a public place to encourage people to recycle their rubbish and / use the bin.

