

Too much waste?

1 Rules and orders

Look at the sentences below. Who gave the orders ? Match a letter a.-d. to the sentences below.

a. a doctor b. a motorway policeman c. your English teacher d. a recycling activist

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| 1. Look at your new vocabulary every day! | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. |
| 2. Never drink alcohol when you drive! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Always choose low-fat foods! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Try to do more sport! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Don't buy a newspaper, read the news on-line! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Don't drive for more than 2 or 3 hours without a break! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Watch a film now and again in English! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Don't try to translate every word into your mother language! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. Stop smoking! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10. Always buy recycled paper! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11. Never drive without your safety belt! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 12. Don't forget your homework! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 13. Drive very carefully in bad weather! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 14. Always bring your bottles and glass to the bottle bank! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 15. Don't drink so much beer! | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 16. Buy environmentally-friendly cleaning products! | <input type="checkbox"/> |

2 It's all in the past

Read this dialogue and put the verbs in the past simple.

Ann: Your apartment looks fantastic, Philip! Everything looks different!

Philip: I know. I _____ (1. think) it was time for a spring clean.

Ann: Yes, it was. You _____ (2. have) mountains of clothes everywhere. Where are they now?

Philip: I _____ (3. take) all my old clothes to the Red Cross last week.

Ann: What about all your books and newspapers?

Philip: Well, I _____ (4. go) to our local hospital last week and _____ (5. bring) all the books I didn't want with me. And I finally _____ (6. throw) my old newspapers in the recycling bin! Look at my living room – isn't it tidy?

Ann: Yes, it is. But where's your computer?

Philip: I _____ (7. want) to buy a laptop and so I _____ (8. sell) my old computer on eBay.
I _____ (9. donate) my old black and white printer to charity and _____ (10. buy) myself a new colour printer.

Ann: That's great! And did you paint the kitchen?

Philip: Yes, I _____ (11. decide) to paint the kitchen yellow. Do you like it?

Ann: It's lovely. Did you do it by yourself?

Philip: No, my little brother _____ (12. help) me. I _____ (13. give) him 10 euros for his help.

Ann: Hey, Philip, that's not fair! That's not a lot of money!

Philip: He's only thirteen, so it's enough. He _____ (14. spend) it on football magazines.

Ann: Your poor brother!

3 American or British?

Can you complete the table, matching the words in the box below to their British/American partners?

handbag • check • taxi • dumpster • highway • faucet • mobile • elevator • flashlight • rubber • film • petrol

British
1. motorway
2. _____
3. tap
4. torch
5. _____
6. _____
7. bill
8. _____
9. skip
10. lift
11. _____
12. _____

American

cell phone

purse
eraser

cab

movie
gas