

# Trash Tally

Let's use math to learn about litter! List the first eight items you found in your Trash Bash. Put an X mark in the column to show if it can be recycled or if it must go to the landfill. In the last column on the right, tell the category of the kind of item. See the example.

Item (List)	Recycle? (Put an X)	For the landfill? (Put an X)	Is this item related to food, personal care, fun, or something else?
damaged golf ball		X	Fun
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
8.			

**Tally:** Count the items to answer the questions below.

- How many total items out of eight could you recycle? \_\_\_\_\_
- How many items must go to the landfill? \_\_\_\_\_
- What kind of item was littered the most? Circle that type of item.



Food



Fun



Personal care



Something else

**Interpret:** What could community members do to reduce the kind of item that you found to be littered most often? Tell your idea to a friend or grown-up.