

## What's in a Landfill?



People who study landfills have estimated the percent of landfill space (volume) taken up by paper, food, plastic, and so on.



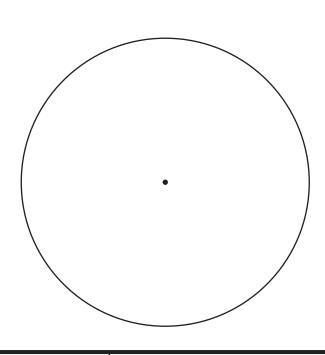
## Space in landfills taken up by:

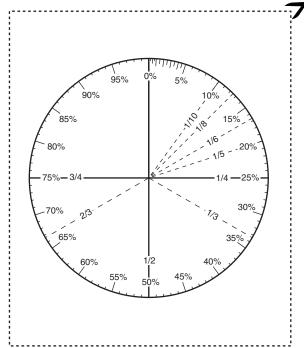
Paper 50%
Food and yard waste 13%
Plastic 10%
Metal 6%
Glass 1%
Other waste 20%

Think of it this way:

For every 100 boxes of garbage hauled to the dump, expect that about 50 boxes could be filled with paper, 6 with metal, 1 with glass, and so on.

**1.** Cut out the Percent Circle. Use it to make a circle graph for the data in the table. (Remember to label the graph and give it a title.)





**Practice** 

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- **3.** 17)391 \_\_\_\_\_
- **4.** 43)387 \_\_\_\_\_
- **5.** 37)259 \_\_\_\_\_