

**dustbin****dust·bin** [dʌstbɪn dʌstbɪnz] *BrE* ['dʌstbɪn] <sup>u</sup> *NAmE* ['dʌstbɪn] <sup>u</sup> (BrE) (NAmE)'garbage can, 'trash can) **noun**

a large container with a lid, used for putting rubbish/garbage in, usually kept outside the house

See also: ↑garbage can ▪ ↑trash can

British/American:**rubbish / garbage / trash / refuse****Rubbish** is the usual word in *BrE* for the things that you throw away because you no longer want or need them. **Garbage** and **trash** are both used in *NAmE*. Inside the home, **garbage** tends to mean waste food and other wet material, while **trash** is paper, cardboard and dry material.In *BrE*, you put your **rubbish** in a **dustbin** in the street to be collected by the **dustmen**. In *NAmE*, your **garbage** and **trash** goes in a **garbage/trash can** in the street and is collected by **garbage men/collectors**.**Refuse** is a formal word and is used in both *BrE* and *NAmE*. **Refuse collector** is the formal word for a dustman or garbage collector.Example Bank:

- How regularly are the dustbins emptied?
- She chucked the mouldy potatoes in the dustbin.
- The dustbin men forgot to empty our bin this morning.
- The politicians who lost the elections will be consigned to the dustbin of history.
- The pollution in this country makes it the dustbin of Europe.
- These old shoes can go in the dustbin now.
- We put out the dustbins on a Wednesday morning before the van comes.

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