

## Instructions for grading food waste pictures

Step 1: Look at the picture and judge whether anything is being disposed at all.

- If nothing is being disposed (e.g. just people walking by, counter being wiped, trash bin being moved, no action at all in picture), give the grade of **N** for 'not gradeable' and skip the remaining steps.
- If something is being disposed (even if there's no plate in the picture), continue to step 2.

Step 2: Estimate the total volume (in 8-oz cups) of **avoidable** waste in the picture.

- This **includes** combining waste from multiple plates, multiple people, liquids, etc: *add up all avoidable waste in the picture.*
- This **does not** include things like fruit peels and chicken bones, and up to one napkin per picture (i.e. everyone gets one 'free' napkin before it starts counting as waste).

Step 3: Judge where the total volume of avoidable waste (V) falls on this scale:

<b>A:</b>	$V = 0$ cups
<b>B:</b>	$0 \text{ cups} < V \leq \frac{1}{2} \text{ cup}$
<b>C:</b>	$\frac{1}{2} \text{ cup} < V \leq 1 \text{ cup}$
<b>D:</b>	$1 \text{ cup} < V \leq 2 \text{ cups}$
<b>F:</b>	$2 \text{ cups} < V$

- Give the corresponding letter grade.
- Tips:
  - $\frac{1}{2}$  cup is about the size of a hockey puck.
  - 1 cup is about the size of a baseball.

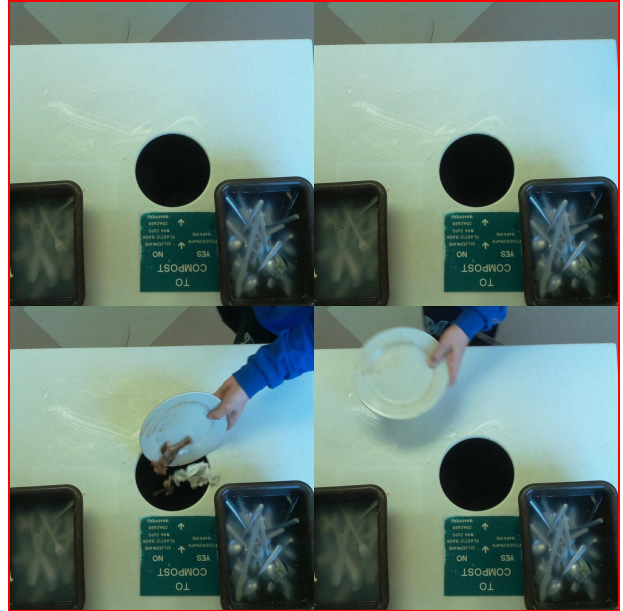
Step 4: If you are confused and think the picture presents something new that hasn't been considered (i.e. doesn't fall under N, A, B, C, D, or F), give a longer message explaining your confusion instead of a grade.

Here are some examples (a set of four consecutive frames counts as one picture).

Pictures that should get an **A**:

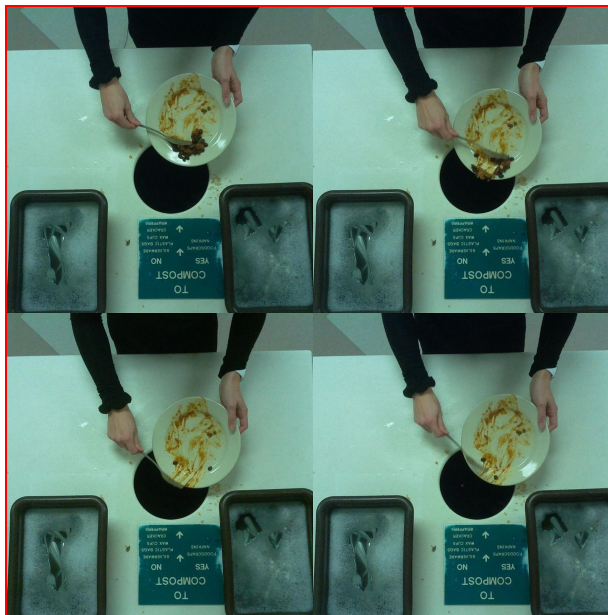


(no plate, banana peel tossed in)

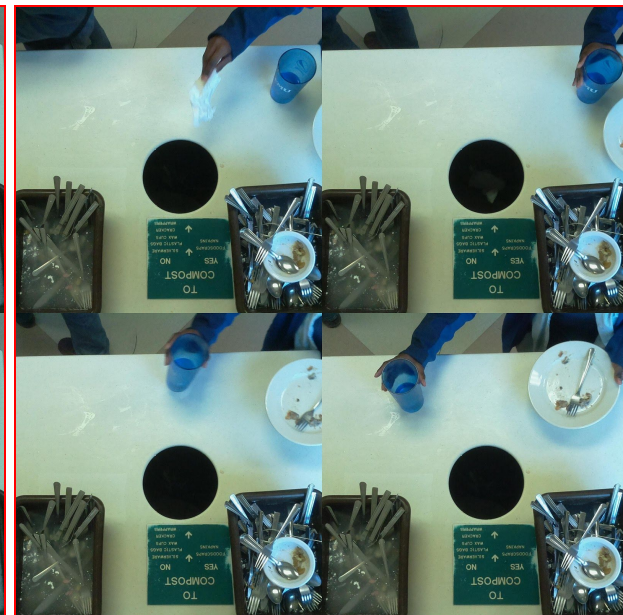


(just chicken bones and 1 napkin)

Pictures that should get a **B**:



(less than half a cup of food)



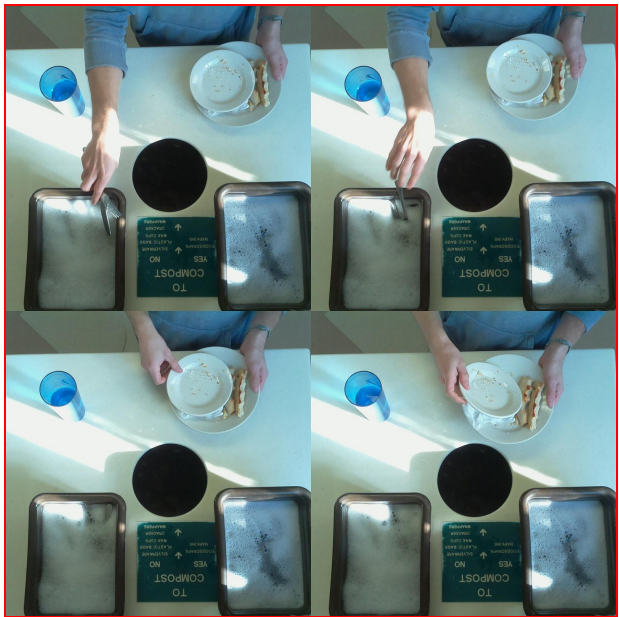
(small amount of liquid left in cup)



Pictures that should get a **C**:

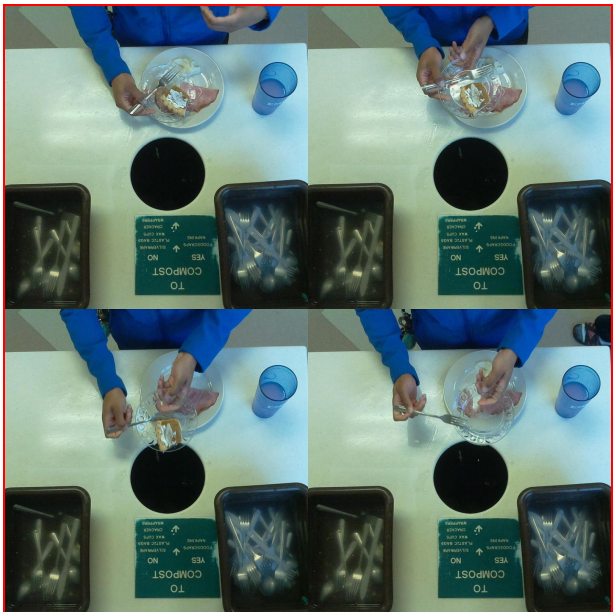


(between  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup and 1 cup of food)



(crusts and water add up to  $> \frac{1}{2}$  c.)

Pictures that should get a **D**:



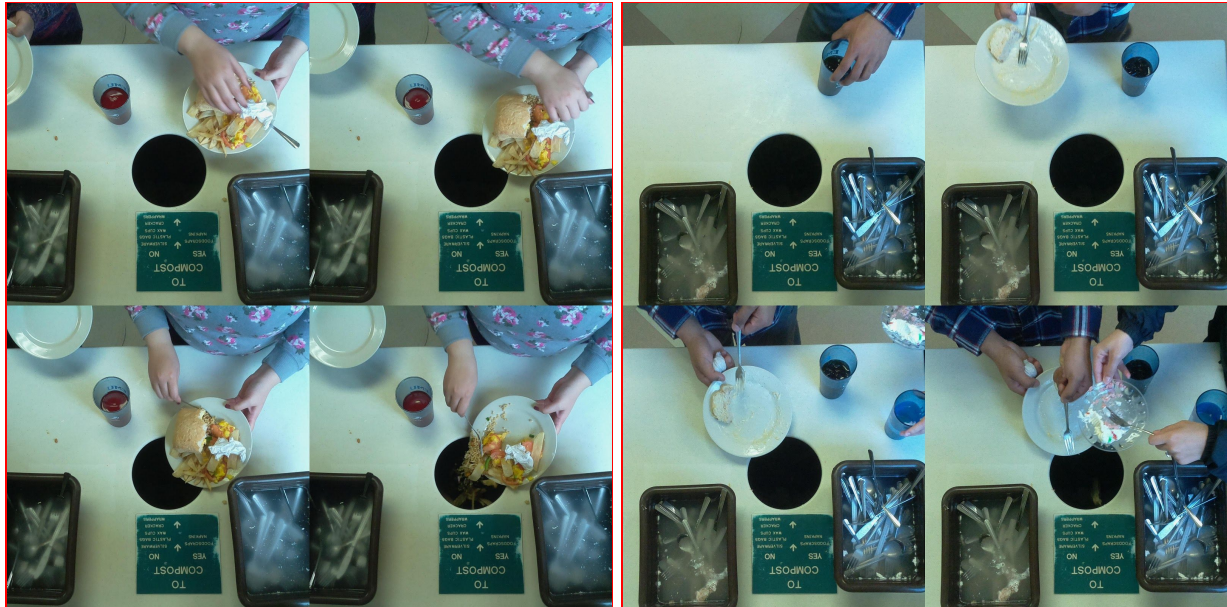
(food and lemonade add up to  $> 1$  c.)



(excess napkins count toward waste)



Pictures that should get an **F**:



(more than two cups of food/liquids)

(combined amount of all food/liquids,  
including from multiple people,  
is more than two cups)

Pictures that should get an **N** (for “not gradeable”):



(caf worker checking on the bin)

(people walking by, nothing disposed)